THE WEATHER.

Overcast Sunday, probably snow flurries in the mountains; Monday fair, not much change in temperature.

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CAPTURE OF FORT DOUAUMONT AS CLAIMED BY THE GERMANS IS NOT ADMITTED IN FRENCH STATEMENT

However, the Battle at That Point is Described as Being Desperate.

GERMANS DRIVEN BACK

French Claim Recapture of Positions Taken by Enemy Saturday Morning.

Russians Capture Persian City of Kermanshah.

The French war office, in its latest official statement, describes the battle around Fort Douaumont—one of the outlying forts of Verdun—as desperate, but makes no actual admission of the capture of the fort by the Germans, as claimed in the official communication issued at Berlin.

Fort Douaumont, says the French statement, is an advance element of the old defensive organization of Verdun fortress, and goes on to say that the position captured Saturday morning by the Germans, after several fruitless assaults, was reached again by French troops, who succeeded in advancing beyond that point and have maintained their ground. Their position referred to is not clearly defined.

Berlin Says Fort Has Fallen.

Under the eyes of their emperor, whose presence at the front is officially announced, the German infantry has advanced to the charge on both sides of the salient wherein lies Verdun, and, according to Berlin, has stormed and taken the outlying fort of Douaumont, northeast of the fortress, while on the plain of the Woevre to the east and southeast it has swept back the French lines and broken their resisting power along a wide front, forcing them to retreat with the Germans in pursuit.

The Crown Prince's armies engaged in the terrific battle have had their way blasted out for them, according to correspondents near the scene, by what is said to be the greatest concentration of artillery fire known to history, in which the monster guns of the Germans and Austrians, brought from the Serbian and Russian fronts, have played an important part.

Heavy bombardments by the Germans to the east and west of the Meuse were met by vigorous counter attacks, and the French have resisted the attempts of the Germans to capture Champneuville and LaCote De Poivre (Pepper Hill), two positions of strategic importance.

Paris is Confident.

Late dispatches from Paris say that utmost confidence is felt there in the ability of the French troops to withstand the German assaults, and in some quarters a continuation of the battle centering around Verdun for the next two weeks is looked for.

While this was going on, the Germans in the Woevre were assailing the French lines on the eastern side of the salient, the two operations apparently being designed to push in the sides of the projecting front, a buckling process which if kept up would soon result in the fall of the fortress.

The French, however, are defending their stronghold with notable tenacity, and, according to various accounts, inflicting terrible losses on the attacking forces. Paris has not conceded the fall of Fort Douaumont, although admitting that the fighting there had taken on an extremely sanguinary character and it only mentions the Woevre region in announcement that the advanced posts held for observation purposes along the line from Ornes to Hennemont had been attacked by the German infantry. The German attacks along the front are declared by Paris to be made without regard to the losses sustained.

Notwithstanding the concentration of attention upon the great struggle of the western front, the current dispatches show that events of considerable interest, while not comparable in importance to those around Verdun, are happening in other war theatres.

Russians Capture Kermonshah.

From Persia comes the Russian announcement that the important city of Kermanshah has been taken by storm by Russia's forces. Recent Petrograd advices have indicated an expectation that the southern movement of this Russian army might eventually link it up with the British operation in neighboring Mesopotamia. The advance to Kermanshah places the Russian column within 150 miles of Kut-El-Amara, on the Tigris, near which a British force is at present stalled on its march to the relief of General Townshend's beleaguered army at Kut.

In Albania the Austrians are evidently having things all their own way, particularly in the territory as far south as Durazzo. An official statement issued in Rome admits the evacuation of Durazzo by the Italians, who were reported to have been

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TURKS IN RETREAT ARE STILL PURSUED

Advancing Russians Meeting Little Resistance.

ASCHKALA IS OCCUPIED

Russians Claim Capture of 235 Officers, 12,753 Men and 323 Guns at the Fall of Erzerum—Turkish Army Demoralized.

Petrograd, via London, Feb. 26.—The capture of 235 officers, 12,753 men and 323 guns in the operations about Erzerum was announced in the official statement from the Russian war office today. The pursuit of the Turkish army continues and the Russians have occupied the village of Aschkala, 50 miles west of Erzerum on the road to Trebizond. The statement follows:

"Western (Russian) front: In the Mikhaltche region on the Dniester, in Galicia, the enemy, after prolonged bomb throwing, succeeded in occupying a crater, but our troops by an impetuous counter-attack, drove him out.

"Caucasus front: The result of the Erzerum operations was attained with relatively insignificant losses, considering the great success we achieved.

"We took prisoner 235 Turkish officers and 12,753 men and captured nine flags and 323 guns, besides taking in Erzerum, a Turkish fortress of the first-class with large depots of arms, telegraph and telehphone apparatus. telegraph and telephone appartus.

"We continue the pursuit of the remainder of the defeated and demoralised Turkish army, without respite. Fifty miles west of Erzerum on the road to Trebizond we threw back the enemy rear guards and occupied the village of Aschkala."

The resistence offered by the Turkish forces, retreating from Erzerum, to the advancing Russians apparently has frittered out on account of the general lack of ammunition and supplies. Unable to defend points of natural advantage, the Turks are continuing their precipitate flight into the fastnesses of Asia Minor.

The loss of Ishpir, which was an important munition and food depot serving the right wing, the Turkish coast troops and the left wing, the Erzerum forces, further crippled the power of Turkish resistance. It also cut off main road communication between Erzerum and Trebizond. This means that the Turkish troops which are retreating from Erzerum upon Trebizond can now only reach the coast through a difficult mountain district where they will be within striking distance of the Russian Black Sea fleet, whose bombardment of the Armenian littoral continues.

FRENCH CONFIDENT OF VERDUN VICTORY

Paris Unusually Calm, as the Great Battle is Waged.

FAITH IN THE FORTS

By the Destruction of Douaumont Enemy Would be Destroying Nothing More Than Inert Block of Cement, Says Temps.

Paris, Feb. 26.—Paris is extraordinarily calm in the presence of the great battle now in progress around Verdun. There are no indications of tension or nervousness but only overconfidence in the result. The desire among those who know the defensive strength of the lines seems to be that attacks should continue, for they argue the losses on the German side would be in proportion to the efforts.

There were few persons around the newspaper bulletin boards today and no crowds at the ministry of war or other public offices.

The whole front from the North Sea to Switzerland is on the alert and all leave of absence has been recalled. The French losses in killed, wounded and prisoners since the Verdun battle began, it was authoritatively stated this evening, have been less that the German communications claim in prisoners.

The Temps' military review, which is usually written by General Lacroix, sums up the situation thus:

"The battle being fought is extremely serious. Even should the heights of Poivre and the Vauche wood be taken, the enemy would find us perhaps stronger on the Froideterre-Douaumont line from which begins the defenses properly speaking, of the fortress, covered with the forces and batteries. This is not a siege by the Germans; it is a battle against one of our armies in the garrison at Verdun and its forts do not figure in these combats as a support. The big guns of the enemy might destroy the fort of Douaumont without destroying anything more than an inert block of cement.

"The snow has not caused any diminution of the attacks, because they cannot be suspended. They must be continued to the end. The troops engaged would be unable to remain idle long in the territory captured while awaiting between weather conditions. A thaw would render their situation worse, and it must already be painful."

MOVEMENTS HAMPERED.

Because of Bad Weather German Attack is Regarded Inopportune.

London, Feb. 26.—A delayed dispatch from the correspondent of Reuters at British headquarters in the field, dated Thursday, says that the Germans could not have chosen a more inopportune time for the offensive against Verdun. At the beginning of the attack the weather suddenly changed to the most severe winter spell in several years

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REQUIRED 30 MINUTES TO LOWER LIFE BOATS

Passengers Ordered in Them Without Investigation.

Dr. Frank A. Houser, a Passenger on Liner Cretan, Makes Signed Statement Regarding Collision Off Hatteras Friday.

Norfolk, Va., Feb. 26.—Rev. Frank A. Houser, pastor of the Trinity Baptist church, of Cleveland, O., and editor of the Trinity Baptist Herald and the Pennsylvania Labor Journal, who, with his wife was a passenger on the Merchants & Miners' Transportation Company's steamer Cretain when she was rammed by the steamer Dorothy off Hatteras Friday morning, declared in a signed statement today that it took the crew of the Cretan 30 minutes to launch the life boats.

"If the ship had been in danger of sudden sinking", he declared, "all the passengers would have been drowned before the first life boat was ready for launching. The boats were lowered after a half hour's hard work on the part of the crew who were trying to find out which way the boats were to be loosened from their davits."

Dr. Houser appeared before E. C. Lohr, agent for the Merchants & Miners' Transportation Company in this city today in behalf of the passengers, who requested that they be furnished with transportation to Jacksonville by rail and that their meals be paid for en route. Mr. Lohr declined to pay for the meals but agreed to furnish the transportation. He said if the passengers would wait until Sunday they could continue the voyage on the Cretan which would be ready to sail. Thirteen of the passengers declined to con-

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TRINITY WINS IN SERIES OF DEBATES WITH W. & L.

In Third and Final Contest at Durham Last Night.

Washington and Lee and the Methodists Each Had Won One Debate Already—Armament Subject Last Night.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Durham, N. C., Feb. 26.—Trinity defeated Washington & Lee by a two to one decision in Craven Memorial hall tonight in the third of a series of three debates, thereby winning the series. The argument advanced by both sides was of a hight order and the speakers held the attention of their hearers by reason of this fact.

The Trinity team, composed of W. R. Shelton, of Durham; H. C. Greenberg, of Durham, and W. W. Matthews, of Vidalia, Georgia, upheld the affirmative of the question, "Resolved, That the proposed administration policy of armament increase is demanded by the best interests of the United States." The Washington and Lee team was composed of Charles Kupter, W. J. Cox and D. A. Falk and defended the negative.

The first debate of the series, held here two years ago, was won by Trinity and the second debate, held in Lexington last year, was won by Washington & Lee.

The debate tonight was presided over by President W. P. Few, Mr. J. W. Spransy acted as timekeeper, and the judges were Hon. T. T. Hicks, Henderson; Dr. Edwin Greenlaw, of the University of North Carolina, and Mr. W. L. Foushee, of the Durham bar.

Mr. Greenberg was perhaps the most effective member of the Trinity team, with his rapid fire style, his keen sarcasm and his effectual replies to the opposing arguments. For Washington & Lee Mr. Falk was undoubtedly the star.

THINKS WARNING IS BETTER THAN WAR

Overman Replies to Letters of North Carolinians.

WILL STAND BY WILSON

Replying to Mr. J. A. Taylor and Others, Senator Says, If Negotiations Fail, He Will Vote for Resolution Now Pending.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, Feb. 26.—Senator Overman today sent a joint letter to a number of North Carolinians, who have urged him to support the President. As already stated in these dispatches, Mr. Overman says that he is willing for President Wilson to steer the ship but, should these negotiations fail, he will support a resolution warning Americans not to travel on armed merchantmen. This would not surrender any rights now guaranteed an American citizen, he says.

Yesterday Senator Overman received several telegrams asking him to support the President. One of these telegrams was from J. A. Taylor, of Wilmington, and another from W. H. Gibson, of Gastonia. His letter today is in answer to these and other letters and telegrams he received today. His letter follows:

"I thank you for your patriotic letter of recent date. I am glad to receive your views upon the very serious question which now confronts us. For my part I propose to let the captain of the ship steer us out of trouble if possible. I do not want to see any action taken that will in the least embarrass him or interfere with the diplomatic negotiations which he is now carrying on. I shall stand by the President to the limit except where my conscience dictates that I shall do otherwise.

"But if our negotiations shall be of no avail, while asserting our rights to ride upon the high seas, I shall support a resolution warning our citizens not to travel on belligerent armed merchantmen. I am willing to do anything to preserve peace except to sacrifice vital principles and our sacred honor.

"We advised our people to keep out of the war zone in Mexico and I see no reason why we should not warn American citizens not to go upon armed merchant ships, if England and Germany still arbitrarily adhere to their present orders and contentions. To advise American citizens not to ride upon armed merchant vessels is in my judgment no sacrifice of principle or abridgement of the rights of our citizens. It simply cautions them and such a resolution I think will probably avert war. God forbid that we will be forced to take up arms. Let us maintain our dignity and our honor and at the same time preserve the peace.

"To preserve our national honor and vital principles I would be willing to sacrifice every dollar and every drop of blood. But, let us not go to war if we can possibly help it. The President, under the most difficult, delicate and trying conditions, has upheld our honor and kept us out of war and I confidently believe he will do so at this time." P. R. A.

Jean Crones Turns Up In Fayetteville?

CHIEF OF POLICE RECEIVES LETTER PURPORTING TO HAVE BEEN WRITTEN BY ANARCHIST CHEF.

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 26.—Chief of Police J. T. Kelly, of Fayetteville, this afternoon received a letter mailed in this city this morning at 11:30 and purporting to be from Jean Crones, the anarchist chef, who is charged with attempting to poison 300 people at a Chicago banquet February 12.

The letter, dated "Fayetteville 2-25-16", follows:

"Dear Chief of Police:

"I have just arrived in your city, and was met by one of your men. I am going to make hell for your fresh bunch of police. I saw you but said nothing.

"Well, so long at present.

(Signed) "JEAN CRONES,"

"Hay street, City."

THE DAY IN CONGRESS

SENATE

Met at noon.

Resumed debate on Shields waterpower bill.

Judiciary sub-committee continued Brandeis inquiry.

Agricultural sub-committee continued sisal investigation.

Recessed at 5:17 P. M. until noon Monday.

HOUSE

Met at noon.

Military and Naval committes worked on defense plans.

Postoffice appropriation bill debated under special rule.

Military committee voted approval of proposal to increase standing army to 137,000 men.

Adjourned at 5:05 P. M. until noon Monday.

NEGOTIATIONS MAY BE ENTERED INTO

Regarding Question of Defensive Armament.

DISCUSSION IS POSSIBLE

However, Germany Would Have to Give Assurances That Americans Aboard Armed Ships Would Be Protected in Meantime.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Secretary Lansing indicated today that the United States was prepared under certain circumstances to discuss with the German government what may properly be regarded as defensive armament for merchant ships. In no event, however, according to authoritative information tonight, will the United States be a party to such negotiations, unless it is assured that the lives of American citizens aboard ships armed for defensive purposes will not be endangered during the course of the discussion.

There was no indication today that orders to German and Austrian submarine commanders to treat armed merchant ships as war vessels, announced in formal notifications from the Central Powers for February 29, would be postponed, although it was admitted that postponement would not come as a surprise.

Congress Not to Act.

Leaders in both houses of Congress, who for several days have agitated passage of a resolution warning Americans not to travel on armed ships, seemed convinced tonight that no such a measure could be put through at present. Senator Gore, who has such a resolution pending, issued a statement saying that while he still favored a warning he believed the objects sought by his resolution already had been accomplished through public discussion. Representative McLemore, whose warning resolution in the House has been kept from coming up by administration leaders, said he was content to wait until the President and Secretary Lansing had opportunity to try out their plan of asserting determinedly the right to travel on ships bearing arms.

Administration officials still were awaiting the receipt of the appendices to the latest German memorandum on the subject which contain what is alleged to be a copy of confidential instructions given to British sea captains.

If this document contains what the German government claims, it is said to be probable that inquiries may be addressed to Great Britain on the subject. The British government sometime ago assured the United States that its merchant ships would not operate offensively.

Germany, in it smemorandum, gives as one of the cardinal reasons for its determination to sink armed merchant ships of her enemies without warning the fact that German submarines have been fired upon repeatedly by merchantmen which apparently were engaged in peaceful pursuits of commerce.

Germany Would Change Position?

It also was indicated at the State Department today that Germany by recent acts had shown a disposition to change her original position in regard to the right of merchant ships to carry defensive armament. Originally the Berlin government denied that it was legal for merchant ships to arm at all. Now some officials here consider that Germany appears willing to admit that armament is legal if purely defensive.

PENSION VETERANS OF LIFE SAVING SERVICE

Purpose of Bill Introduced by Representative Small.

For Benefit of Those Injured or Diseased Through Active Service of the Government Under the Old System.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—Representative Small, of North Carolina, today introduced in the House a bill proposing to pay a pension equal to that of a seaman or warrant officer of the United States Navy, respectively, to all members of the old life saving service (now the coast guard service) who have suffered disability due to a wound or injury received, or disease contracted in the said life saving service in line of duty.

Speaking with reference to his bill, Representative Small said:

"As is well known, Congress at the last session enacted a law combining the former life saving service and the former revenue cutter service into a new organization known as the Coast Guard and providing a pension for all members of the new service based on disability and length of service. The Coast Guard act makes no provision for the men in the life saving service who were retired previous to the enactment of the law on January 28, 1915.

"Some of these men heretofore retired are helpless from disability and are dependent on charity. They devoted their manhood to the service of the government in its most humanitarian work, that of saving lives, and when they became incapacitated they were dropped from the rolls. It is only just that this government should now make some provision for them in their old age. Under existing law there is no relief for them." P. R. A.

ARMY RESERVE IS GROWING IN FAVOR

Congress Has Tendency to Provide Volunteer Force.

BESIDES STATE MILITIA

House Committee Agrees on Terms of Bill Providing For Standing Army of 143,000—Would Arganize Training Camps.

Washington, Feb. 26.—A growing tendency to provide for a Federal army reserve in addition to the regular army and federalized National Guard was manifest today in both the House and Senate military committees. Members of both committees said they favored a practical test of the possibility of forming a federal volunteer army in peace times on lines somewhat similar to the continental army plan. The apparent intention to abandon the continental project wholly was one of the causes leading up to the resignation of Secretary Garrison.

The House committee agreed today upon the general terms of a bill it expects to get before the House in ten days providing for a regular army with an authorized peace strength of 143,000 men; a federalized National Guard, which would reach a fixed minimum strength of 424,000 in five years; adequate reserve systems for both of these forces; and organization of civilian training camps with wide discretion reposed in the War Department as to the terms of enlistment, training and government.

The Senate committee has agreed tentatively to a plan under which training camps would be authorized in every congressional district where sufficient men volunteered for training under an obligation for a war service. The maximum force to be thus raised in any district would be a battalion, or substantially the same number as proposed for the first year of the Garrison continental army plan. The camps would be under command of full complements of regular army officers.

Will Militia Be Sufficient?

Members of both committees, while saying they would support any good plan for federalizing the National Guard as a first line force, frankly admitted today that they had doubts whether a requisite force could be enlisted in the National Guard, even under the proposed federal pay and regulation provisions. Representative Kahn, who has advocated an extension of the business men's camp idea to all classes of citizens who would not enlist in the regulars or the National Guard, said today that with 30,000 men already enrolled for intensive military training this summer, without government aid, he had received assurances that full 100,000 would be available next year under his plan.

Members of the Senate committee are understood to take a similar view. The House committee arrived at its regular army figures today as a compromise after suggestions of a peace strength of 220,000, 180,000 and 150,000 had been voted down by narrowing margins. A non-partisan vote finally fixed upon 137,000, or 2,000 more than was recommended by the War Department, with a provision designed to allow a percentage of over-enlistment in order to maintain that strength at all times. With this provision, the total strength authorized would be 143,000. To provide officers to carry out work of instruction at schools, amonk militia regiments and for other special

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BELIEVES AMERICA IS STILL UMPIRE OF WAR

And Wilson "The Man to Keep the Game in Check."

Morganthau Tells How "The Spirit at Washington" Caused the Turks to Leave Educational Institutions Unmolested.

New York, Feb. 26.—Under the auspices of a committee appointed by the mayor, citizens of New York City participated today in a meeting of welcome to Henry Morganthau, United States ambassador to Turkey, who recently returned on leave of absence from Constantinople. Discussing his experiences in Turkey, Mr. Morganthau said:

"My heart went out to the American missionaries. When I went to Constantinople I found the greatest man there was the treasurer of the American Board of Missions, W. W. Peet. I discovered I could get more statesmanlike advice from him than from any of my colleagues.

"We have united in Turkey in a God-like work. We have shown these people what it is to teach morality. Perhaps my most difficult task was to convince Turkish government officials that it was best to leave institutions of learning unmolested. When they tried to force regulations upon them, seeing the other nations of the world, engaged in war, I told them that if they dared to touch one of these institutions, after peace was declared they would have me an advocate against them. And that's what carried the day. It was not due to my personal charms, but to the fact that I represented a great country—that I represented a just

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16-INCH GUNS ARE FAVORED BY NAVY

Believed They Should Take Place of 14-Inch Type.

ON NEW BATTLESHIPS

General Board Has Recommended Ships of Greater Tonnage for Mounting the Larger Guns—Aircraft for Atlantic Fleet.

Washington, Feb. 26.—Experimental long range firing by the Atlantic fleet and information about naval battles in the European war virtually have convinced the Navy Department that battleships to be authorized this year should carry ten 16-inch guns each instead of twelve 14-inch weapons aboard ships of the Pennsylvania and California class now built or building.

Details of gunnery are confidential, but it became known tonight that the next target practice of the fleet will be held at ranges up to 8,000 yards because of the lessons taught by the battle between German and British battle cruisers in the North Sea, where 17,000 yard shots scored hits.

The navy general board recommended some time ago that new battleships be designed for the 16-inch rifles and proposed other military characteristics that made it necessary to increase the tonnage from 32,000 for the California class, to 36,000. Officials of the board have urged their views upon the House Naval committee in connection with the pending appropriation bill, although the 1917 building programme is not yet before the committee.

Many officers of high rank, however, have considered it unwise to mount the bigger guns or build the bigger ships. Secretary Daniels has not as yet announced what his recommendation to the committee will be, but confidential reports from the fleet are said to have about convinced him of the desirability of the bigger ship project.

Kite Balloons on Ships.

An order for the first kite balloon to be added to the navy's aerial fleet has been placed, it was learned today, and this latest device to increase the accuracy of gun fire may be tested out during the spring target practice. It is proposed that each battleship be equipped with a captive kite balloon which will rise 1,000 feet above harbor decks. The officers observing the fall of shots now stationed in the fighting tops 150 feet above decks, will be stationed in the balloon basket communicating with the ship by telephone. From their great elevation they will be able, it is thought, to direct salvo fire with deadly accuracy at targets invisible from the ship itself.

The navy's biggest guns now have a range of 12 sea miles or more and this probably will be increased materially with the new 16-inch guns. Before the committee recently Admiral Winslow said he had seen weather conditions in which ships were plainly visible at 30,000 yards, or 15 miles. It probably was due, he said, to a mirage; but if he had had guns of sufficient range, he thought he could have guaged the shots so as to make a bombardment effective.

Aerial Scouts New Feature.

Another new feature probably will be added to the fleet this spring when the armored cruiser North Carolina, carrying six aeroplanes and their crews and a device for launching the aircraft in any weather, joins Admiral Fletcher's command. The aerial scouts for the first time will play an important part in the maneuvers and possibly in target practice.

COURSE IN AERONAUTICS AND $40 TO BE GIVEN FREE

Offered to an Officer of Militia in Each of Forty-Eight States.

New York, Feb. 26.—A course of training in the use of aeroplanes for an officer of the militia in each of the forty-eight states and $40 to each officer toward defraying expenses incidental to the training, are offered in a letter sent today to the governors of the states by Allan R. Hawley, president of the Aero Club of America. The course will be contributed by an aeroplane company and the $40 by the Aero Club.

The letter stipulates that the training be in either land or water aeroplanes and continue until the officer appointed secures his official license.

FIFTY GERMAN EDITORS AND PUBLISHERS IN CONFERENCE.

Hold Meetings in Chicago Behind Closed Doors—Meet Again Today.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—Fifty editors and publishers of the leading German newspapers of the United States met behind closed doors here today. Another session of the conference will be held tomorrow. The editors did not make public the purpose of the meeting nor to divulge the proceedings, but it was said that today's session was merely preliminary to the meeting set for tomorrow, and that a statement probably would be given out after that meeting. In political circles it was reported that the coming presidential campaign was under discussion.

TRAIN HITS AUTOMOBILE.

Mrs. A. H. Twichell, of Spartanburg, S. C., Perhaps Fatally Injured.

Spartanburg, S. C., Feb. 26 — Mrs. A. H. Twichell, wife of the president of the Glendale and Clifton cotton mills, was perhaps fatally injured and her negro chauffeur seriously injured when Mrs. Twichell's automobile was struck by a passenger train on the Southern Railway at a grade crossing almost in the heart of the city, this morning. Mrs. Twichell is still unconscious tonight, suffering from concussion of the brain and other injuries. The negro's condition is said to be serious. The car was completely wrecked.

VALUABLE FARM SUBDIVISION

Colon E. Kerr Tract Near City to Be Placed on Market This Week—Many Improvements Made.

No more interesting real estate announcement has been made in the county in a twelve-month than that of D. R. Foster & Company carried elsewhere in today's paper, to the effect that the valuable Colon E. Kerr farm, one mile from the city limits, on the Castle Haynes road, has been greatly improved and subdivided into five-acre home sites that will be offered to the public on an attractive basis, beginning Wednesday morning of this week.

Eight of these splendid small farms, admirably adapted to gardening, trucking, poultry raising or home dairying, face immediately on the splendid county highway leading to Castle Haynes and northward, while all the other tracts are on a magnificent 40-foot roadway that has just been built entirely through the property from the main road to the Northeast river. For several weeks a large force of workmen have been employed under the direction of Mr. Kerr, cleaning off the undergrowth and making other improvements that disclose a magnificent piece of real estate. The farm of 125 acres adjoins the fine Newbury dairy tract and the fine farm of Mr. Jos. H. Hinton, of The Orton, and in addition to the natural drainage, a system of terra cotta drainage has been installed and the place in other ways brought up to the last word in farm development. Mr. J. L. Becton, the well known civil engineer of this city, had the engineering in charge and visitors out that way the past few days have been struck with the wonderful development that has been made.

County Farm Demonstrator J. P. Herring recently visited this farm and the real estate developers publish elsewhere a striking testimonial to the availability of this land for agricultural purposes. Others who know of the farm testify to its high fertility and splendid adaptability to small farm products. Nowhere in the county has the development been greater in the past few years than along the Castle Haynes roads, and it is safe to say that with this proposition the Foster Company agency is going to keep up its record of never a development failure yet. These farms go on the market Wednesday morning and they will be sold either for cash or on the easy-payment plan that will appeal to the smaller investor and homeseeker.

COTTAGES ENDANGERED.

Forest Fire Sweeping Section Between Delgado and Hikhwood Park.

Several cottages in the Delgado mill village, just beyond the turnpike crossing with the A. C. L. tracks, towards the Sound, were endangered late yesterday afternoon by a forest fire which seems to have started in the immediate vicinity, in the rear of the houses, yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock. The fire early last night was sweeping towards Highwood Park, on the left side of the turnpike, but the undergrowth and straw on the land was the principal loss to the owners.

BRITAIN PRICE DIES.

Woodyard Foreman, of Charlotte, Hit Over the Head by Negro.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 26.—Britain Price, woodyard foreman, of this city, died today of wounds received late yesterday at the hands of John Blanton, a negro, who struck him over the head with a heavy stick of wood following a dispute as to how much fuel could be bought for five cents. Blanton was arrested at Gastonia today and is held in jail here on a charge of murder.

MR. ELI H. BATSON DEAD

Was For Many Years One of Best Known Market Men in Wilmington. Passed Away Suddenly.

Mr. Eli H. Batson, for many years one of the best known market men in the city, but more recently employed by Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son, at the Champion Compress, died suddenly last midnight at his home, No. 418 South Sixth street, death having been pronounced as due to heart failure.

Mr. Batson was up and down street as usual until about 6 o'clock yesterday evening when he went home, at the evening meal, as usual, sat with the family until nearly midnight and retired to his room. He had been in bed but a short time when he called to members of the family that he had a suffocating sensation and was hardly able to get his breath. Dr. C. P. Boles was summoned as hurriedly as possible and he came to the bedside of the sick man, but it was too late, and death ensued in a few minutes.

Mr. Batson was 62 years old and had lived in Wilmington practically all his life. In the various markets of the city which he had conducted and in which he had been employed, he was accounted one of the best men in the business. He was genial and affable in his disposition and made many friends, who will be pained to learn of his sudden death. Latterly, Mr. Batson had been in the best of health and friends had remarked to him about how well he looked.

He had been for a number of years a member of the First Baptist church and had recently been devoted to his duties as a member of that congregation. There are surviving of his immediate family, his wife, two sons and two daughters, these being as follows: Mrs. L. O. Ellis, Miss Alberta Batson And Messrs. John W. Batson and Norman Batson. All live in Wilmington and have the sympathy of many friends in the loss they have sustained.

The funeral of Mr. Batson will be conducted from the family residence, No. 418 South Sixth street, this afternoon at 4 o'clock and the interment will be in the family lot in Oakdale cemetery.

NEGRO HAD WATCH STOLEN.

Jason Capot Charged With Stealing It But Evidence Too Flimsy.

Jason Capot and Norris Carr, both colored, went to a dance in Brooklyn Friday night and from all reports the social event was one of great enjoyment to all who attended. However, just before leaving Carr found, he says, that his gold watch had been stolen. He preferred charges against Jason Capot and had that gentleman arrested. After spending the night in the city prison, Capot was brought before the Recorder, who speedily dismissed the case after he had heard the evidence, considering it entirely too flimsy.

Bessie McFadden, colored, who had been arrested on a charge of disorderly ...duct, was taxed with the costs. Mag Bently, who is charged in two cases with violating the prohibition law, will be tried Monday. These cases have been pending in court for several days.

MACE SEEN TO TAKE TRAIN.

Charlotte Police Warned to Watch for Burke Wife Slayer.

Charlotte, N. C., Feb. 26.—Sheriff Berry, of Burke county, tonight warned Charlotte police headquarters that Charles A. Mace, the South Mountain outlaw, who shot his wife to death February 22, and on whose head is a price of $250, was seen to board a Charlotte-bound Seaboard freight train near Buffalo, Lincoln county, late this afternoon.

TWO VIEWS OF THE RICHEST AMERICAN BRIDE.

Mrs. Vincent Astor, the richest American bride, is here shown in two views at Palm Beach, where she is spending the winter. This is the first time Mrs. Astor has posed for her photograph since a few days prior to her marriage.

SIGNIFICANCE OF OUR JUBILEE

An Open Letter to Members of The Y. W. C. A.

Dear Fellow Members:

Jubilee is defined as proclamation of liberty, year of emancipation and restoration, season of rejoicing, exultant joy. Is our jubilee to be all these things?

According to the resolution of our last national convention our Jubilee aims to give every member knowledge of what the Association has done for girls the world oevr, and opportunity for free-will offerings towards the maintenance and extension of Association work. These two objects may be coldly summarized as publicity and finance. Their spiritual significance consists in knowledge and sacrifice.

Knowledge of the Association includes activities, persons and ideals. Knowledge of our manifold activities and departments produces enthusiasm which emancipates power for service. Knowledge of the lives of the women who have developed our Association and made it strong through their abundant life in Jesus Christ—such women, for instance, as Grace H. Dodge—gives fresh courage. Those who knew her realize that no greater inspiration could come to any Association than to have its members do their work and make their gifts with the same faithfulness, joy and spontaneity that permeated her work and gifts. Some one has said, "Losing sight of humanity's seers keeps humanity small." May our Jubileep revent us from losing sight of some of our seers.

Knowledge of our ideals arouses us to brood over our national motto: "I have come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly."

Let us pause a movement to brood over our interpretation of abundant life. Does it mean simply spiritual life? No. Man is no more a disembodied spirit than a soulless body. Christ was "the word made flesh," and we are his "joint heirs."

How can we appreciate this knowledge that we are children of God, heirs of "all things" needed for life? This question was answered in the seventeenth century by a Carmelite monk, Brother Lawrence, in the words, by "the practice of the presence of God." He was a cook in the monastery, and accepted cooking as part of God's service. "For," said he, "if God is not in the midst of the pots and pans, he is nowhere." So practising the presence of God in the kitchen, he learned to be an excellent cook, and after many years was promoted to a position of leadership. Notice—he practised, he deliberately set his mind to the task of developing a consciousness of and obedience to the presence of God. No wonder menial work, used as a channel for God's presence, qualified him at length for a seat of power.

Applied knowledge of the presence of God is the foundation of the liberty wherewith Christ has made us free—the liberty that finds its highest expression in sacrifice. Sacrifice is a free-iwll offering of love that involves giving up as well as giving. Materially, it may include almost any gift prompted by affection. Spiritually, it is that subtle process described in Christ's words. "He that loseth his life for my sake shall find it." In the Kingdom it is all or nothing. The very essence of its liberty is the voluntary and unqualified submission of man's will to God's, by which at length God's will is done through man. The life that is found results in the "joy that no man taketh away," and is expressed in constant giving, not merely of money and of kindly acts, but of personality itself. Through the radiance of quiet gladnes, living becomes giving.

Knowledge and sacrifice are the keynotes of the Jubilee objective. It is set forth on a small card, showing Vista, Aim and Prayer, which will be given to every member. Let us each keep it in her mirror throughout the month of February, read it every day, search deep into its meaning and set her affections on it. Remembering that:

"Love is the key to knowledge as of art;
Nothing is truly ours but what we learn by heart,"

let us each memorize at least the prayer so as to use it at all times—be it in the car, at the machine, going to the lunch counter, or on bended knee. May it so fire our wills that we shall indeed practise the presence of God to vitalize the whole of life—body, mind and spirit. Let us use it together in intimate groups, and also learn some New Testament prayers and statements concerning prayer and repeat them together aloud and silently with intense concentration of belief and expectancy. Such practise will enableu s daily to return to the "etnernal grind" determined to co-operate with God in allowing his promises to produce illumination and power in and through our humdrum tasks.

Would it not be wonderful if, during this Jubilee year, every member's obedience to God's presence became more powerful, and she should bring into the Kindom and into church membership at least one other individual?

With wider knowledge of what our Association has done for girls the world over, let us give heartily and sacificially towards its maintenance locally and its extension nationally. The latter may bed one by gifts, small or large, in any amounts, be they five cents or fifty thousand dollars, to the Grace H. Dodge Memorial Endowment Fund for our national work, through which all Associations constitute a permanent monument of the Jubilee and an expression of thanksgiving for the example of a noble woman, gladness in sharing in the work to which she was so devoted, and desire to follow her footseps in the deeper consecration, which is the fundamental purpose of our whole Association.

The life of an Assoriation is in its members. If each one of us does her utmost to live out every word of our Jubilee objective, she will not grow alone; our whole Association will be baptized with power. Through know-

TO THE REPUBLICAN VOTERS OF NEW HANOVER COUNTY.

In accordance with the call of the Republican State Executive Committee, you are hereby notified that a primary election will be held at Duls' Hall, 22 South Front street (formerly Knights of Pythias Hall, Germania Lodge), on Monday evening, February 28th, 1916, for the purpose of electing delegates to the State and other conventions mentioned in the said call and to perform such other duties as may be consistent with the plan of organization of the Republican party of North Carolina. Delegates will be elected separately by the voters of each political, integral district of the county. The primaries for the several county districts will be held at the usual voting places on the same date.

JOHN W. BROOKS, Chairman.
D. D. LENNON, Secretary.
Republican County Executive Committee.

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HERE'S HOW HENRY FORD CLIMBS A LADDER.

Henry Ford went down New York Bay in the revenue cutter which met the liner Nieuw Amsterdam, bringing back from Europe the last of the peace pilgrims, Judge Ben B. Lindsey and his bride. There is only one way to board a liner from a cutter, and that is by way of the ladder. Many persons fear to do this because it is a little dangerous, but the friends of the dove of peace did not hesitate.

CONFEDERATE MUSEUM.

For those interested in the history of the War Between the States, there is no more interesting place to visit in Wilmington than the Confederate Museum which is maintained by the Cape Fear Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, in a room on the second floor of the Wilmington Light Infantry armory on Market street. More than 300 articles are included in the collection which is one of the most complete in Eastern North Carolina.

The museum is under the supervision of a special committee, appointed by the chapter. Mrs. W. M. Creasy is chairman and she or any member of the committee will be glad to have visitors call and inspect the collection. It is planned to have the museum kept open on Friday afternoons while appointments for other times can be made by telephone. It is the desire of the chapter that the public have access to the museum.

It was a score of years ago that the museum was started and since that time, many other things have been added to the collection. A catalogue of the relics has been published and this enables anyone to look over the collection in an intelligent manner. Each article is numbered, so that reference can easily be made to the catalogue for a description.

One of the most interesting relics in the collection is the telegraph instrument used at the headquarters of the Confederacy in Wilmington, which were located in the home of Dr. A. J. DeRosset, corner of Third and Market streets, and also the table on which it was used. The instrument is, of course, very different from those of the present day. There is also the slate on which the last message from Wilmington was received at Fort Fisher, just before its fall. In those days, messages were received not by sound, as at the present time, but by tracings, either on a slate or paper.

REQUIRED 30 MINUTES TO LOWER LIFE BOATS

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tinue their voyage by water. Speaking to Mr. Lohr, Dr. Houser said:

"Without waiting to investigate, the officers of your ship ordered us all in life boats. We were taken on board the Dorothy which was disabled and out of food. We had no water to drink and were obliged to use melted ice which tasted strongly of fish and we could not drink it."

MRS. ELLEN F. MORDECAI DEAD.

Mother of Dr. S. F. Mordecai, of Trinity, Dies at Durham.

Durham, N. C., Feb. 26.—Mrs. Ellen Mordecai, aged 98 years, died here tonight at the home of her son, Dr. Samuel F. Mordecai, dean of the Trinity College law school.

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FOOTBALL TO UNDERGO NO RADICAL CHANGES

Slight Revisions Made in the Code For 1915

Two-Day Conference on Inter-Collegiate Football Rules Held In New York—Slight Ruling is Made as to Baseball.

New York, Feb. 26.—No radical changes will be incorporated in the football code for 1916 as the result of the two-day conference of the inter-collegiate football rules which closed here today. A suggestion to make a mandatory rule requiring all players to wear numbers in each game was only casually discussed and no formal vote was taken on the proposition, according to Walter Camp, secretary of the committee.

Opposition to the scheme is understood to have been made on the ground that scouts from rival colleges could easily solve the complicated offensive and defensive moves built around certain players if the chief factors were plainly identified by numbers.

Among the more important revisions made was the changing from a 10 to 15 yards penalty for a foul committed against player about to make a fair catch of forward pass. The committee also ruled that where a team is late in appearing for the second half of the game, the offended side shall have choice of goals; made it allowable to bat ball on punt as well as forward pass, but decided that an opponent may not run into the catcher except in a bona fide attempt to catch of bat ball.

Leaping back of a team mate in order to receive a forward pass, was declared legitimate, provided the man with his feet on the ground did not aid the catcher by advancing. Another change makes it allowable for a player to push an opponent out of the way in order to secure a kicked ball which by fumbling has become a free ball.

A guard, center or tackle to be eligible to receive a forward pass must be at the end of the line of scrimmage when the ball is put into play. In the case of a receiver of such a pass standing with one foot on or over the side line and touching the ball which then bounds into the field of play, the ball is ruled out of bounds. It was decided that a foul committed by a defending side behind its own goal line, which deprives the opponent of an opportunity to secure a free ball, shall result in a touchdown for the offended team. If, however, the foul is committed while the ball is in the air, the penalty shall be a safety.

Where the defending side makes an uncompleted forward pass from behind its own goal line on the first, second or third down which is grounded behind the line or hits goal posts or bar, it shall county as a safety; on the fourth down it goes to the opponents at the point of scrimmage. A forward pass made by attacking team on first, second or third downs hitting goal posts, or bar, becomes a touchback; on fourth down goes to opposing eleven at point of scrimmage.

ORIOLES MAY COME YET

Manager C. E. Hooper Still in Correspondence With Jack Dunn.

The Baltimore Orioles, of the International League, may yet come to Wilmington to make this their training quarters, according to Manager Chas. E. Hooper, of The Orton, who has reopened correspondence with Manager Jack Dunn, of the Baltimore Club.

Dunn appears to be canvassing a number of North Carolina towns for the best offer and since Manager Hooper was disappointed in his efforts to get the Pittsburg Federals, he has several times written Dunn with the hope of getting the Orioles at Sunset Park. Dunn has made certain proposals to Mr. Hooper and also to one or more chambers of commerce in the state. Mr. Hooper has written in reply and it is presumed that when the Baltimore manager has all the replies in to his proposals, he will accept the best. That may mean Wilmington or it may not. At any rate Mr. Hooper is doing what he can to give the Wilmington fans just a taste of the professional article this season.

SEMI-PROFESSIONAL LEAGUE

Lumberton Takes Initiative For Fast Aggregation in The East.

Wilmington people recall with interest the fast semi-professional baseball league formed by a number of the enterprising smaller towns in the Eastern part of the State last season, and will watch the progress of a new league of the same kind for this section during the baseball season of 1916. The Lumberton Robesonian of Thursday says:

At a well-attended baseball meeting last night Messrs. E. F. Holloway and E. J. Pope were appointed a committee to write Fayetteville, Raeford, Hamlet, Laurinburg and Red Springs in regard to organizing a six-town league to be composed of the above named towns. If the league is organized nothing except strictly college men will be played, no professionals to be allowed to play with any of the teams. After the committee hears from the various towns another meeting will be called and officers elected for the local club.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The army polo association has arranged for a tournament in this city from April 15 to April 30, in chich teams from Philadelphia, New York, Pittsburg, Aiken and Camden, S. C., will participate.

GOSSIP OF THE BIG LEAGUES

The return of J. Franklin Baker, a member of Connie Mack's great $100,000 infield, has aroused all kinds of discussion among the thousands of members of the Winter League. Debates are heard far and near as to whether the former third baseman of the Athletics can come back after a year's layoff and wallop the pill as he used to for the benefit of the Philadelphia fans. The followers of the game are divided in their opinion, but the majority seem to favor Baker's chances of returning to the game with all of his old batting tricks still intact. Others have done it, a more recent case being that of Mike Donlin, seen around these parts last season posing as a moving-picture actor. Mike quit the New York Giants in 1907, with an average of around .314. Three or four years later, he came back to the game and hit for about .316, bettering his average when he quit the game. Others have done it, argue the Baker followers, and "what man has done, man can do."

While thinking about participants in the great National game coming back, it would be well to cite the case of one Joe Wood, pitcher extraordinary, who, although suffering from a bad wing, nevertheless twirled good ball while in the box. Joe has received a gentle hint from President Lannin that unless he is feeling better than he was last year, his chances of playing on the Red Sox the coming season would be smaller than a hole in a one-inch common needle. The youngster took his bad arm sorely to heart last year and has been working faithfully all through the winter to bring it around into shape. With Wood in shape, the Red Sox would have one of the greatest pitching staffs every collected by a single team in the history of baseball, and would make all the other teams travel at a pretty fast clip to lead them at the wire, despite the many Federal Leaguers that have been signed.

The New York papers are quite noisy in their praise of the New York Americans. The sporting writers of the Metropolis are conceding the fact that the Yankees will land right near the top at the end of the season. Although they are not banking on Baker to do the whole business, they are looking to him to make more home runs than he ever has before in one season, which is saying a bit. They pick Pipp, Gedeon, Peckinpaugh and Baker as the infield, and Maisel, Gilhooley and Magee as the tenders of the outer garden, leaving Leftie High out in the cold. According to them, Caldwell and Fisher will form a nucleus for a good pitching staff, while young Alexander and Nunamaker will do the bulk of the catching, with Walters, from the Texas League, filling in.

Connie Mack has selected his squad of veterans and recruits that he will take to the Southern training camp next month. There will be several names missing from the roll which were supposed to be fixtures on the line-up of the Mackmen. Nine of the men to take the trip are veterans, while the remaining nineteen include youngsters who were tried out last year and those Mack has picked up for a trial since the close of last season. Of the wonderful combination that won the world's championship in 1913, Joe Bush, Wally Schang, McInnis, Oldring, Strunk and Walsh remain, while Bressler, Wyckoff and Thompson were included on the team that lost the title to the Boston Braves in 1914. The others going are Crowell, Myers, Morrisette, Weaver, Nabors, Ray, Sheehan, Richardson and Aldsworth, all youngsters who have been tried by Mack and found to possess some playing talent. The remainder of the squad will be made up of players who will attempt to break into the game under the wizard manager.

All is peace and quiet again in baseball circles. Benny Kauff, the self-praising outfielder of the departed Federal League, has finally become a bona fide member of the New York Giants. The threatened suit of the Indianapolis club of the American Association, claiming $10,000, alleged to be due for the release of Kauff, will not come to court, as the New York Nationals have released Catcher Bobby Schang, brother of the illustrious Walter, of the Athletics, to the Indianapolis club. It is now up to the former Hartford outfielder. Whether he will play with the Giants or continue to hold out for more money is a question which only that player can decide.

Now that the Yanks have headed the list of the major leagues in the Southland and Wild Bill Donovan has them already in Macon, Ga., doing stunts for places on the team, the seasoned fans will this week begin to get their accustomed proportion of dope from the training camps down in Dixie. A sport writer says of the first arrivals down south. Those Yankees are already at "The front" and judging from records getting an early start wont hurt the Yankees. But the blood has been injected into the Go- American League team and "Wild Bill" and company are confident of getting in the first division. When Donovan sends out the general call on March 1 45 recruits will report.

PHYSICIAN SAYS WILLARD IS IN PERFECT CONDITION

Weighs 272 1-2 Pounds, Fully Dressed. To Approve Contracts.

New York, Feb. 26.—Jess Willard, world's heavyweight champion, was examined by a physician for the New York State Athletic Commission today and pronounced in perfect physical condition. Fully dressed, he tipped the scales at 272 1-2 pounds. Willard said that his clothes weighed ten pounds.

It was explained that Willard's weight and condition were of interest to the commission, which desired to be convinced that the public was being fairly treated in connection with the heivyweight's coming championship bout with Frank Moran.

The commission summoned Willard, Tex Rickard and others to appear before it on Monday with all the contracts and agreements for examination and approval.

Pinehurst, N. C., Feb. 26.—Anderson McLeod, Albany Country Club, won the finals of the Washington's birthday tennis tournament today, defeating H. J. Ellsworth, of the Ardsley Hills Club, 6-2, 3-6, 8-6.

WILL BACKSTOP FOR ATHLETICS.

According to the dope sheets coming out of Philadelphia Connie Mack has Wally Schang as his chief dependence behind the willow this season. He was the catching sensation of the 1912 season and was still a favorite in 1914. He was used at third base and in the outfield last season, but was hardly himself and now that Connie has put him back on his old terra firma, he is expected to come back strong. Schang took part in 43 games at third base for the Athletics in 1915. He fielded .890 in the infield. When shifted to the outfield he took part in 41 games and fielded .857, which was the lowest average made by an outfielder in the American League. He hit .248 for the season.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT, Supervising Architect's Office, Washington, D. C., February 10, 1916. Sealed proposals will be opened in this office at 3 P. M., March 23, 1916, for the construction (except mechanical equipment) of the United States customhouse, appraisers' stores, and courthouse at Wilmington, N. C. Drawings and specifications may be obtained from the custodian of site at Wilmington, N. C., or at this office, in the discretion of the Supervising Architect. Jas. A. Wetmore, Acting Supervising Architect.

ATLANTIC COAST BOWLERS

Big Association Tournament in Washington April 3rd—One Hundred and Fifty Quints.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 26.—A careful check on the teams from this city that will compete in the Atlantic Coast Bowling Association's tournament, starting April 3rd, reveals the fact that at least 150 quints will participate.

As practically every member of these teams will complete in the single and doubles of this great sporting affair, this means that the National Capital alone will put up in entrance money $12,750. This figure will be at least trebled by the bowling teams from out of Washington, making about 450 teams, and the entrance money $37,250. A truly remarkable figure for a bowling association but two years old.

Just how these 150 teams from Washington are to be organized makes interesting reading. Letters to the local committee this week from Vice President Marshall and Speaker Clark, in which the presiding officer of the Senate and House, respectively, promise actual participation in the opening of the tourney, give rise to the hope that at least one Congressional team will shoot in the affair. There are a great number of bowlers in the House, and a "Congressional" night will be staged in the event that a team enters from the ranks of the lawmakers.

The Washington American League Club will have two teams, one captained by Shortstop George McBride and the other by Walter Johnson, the famous pitcher. The local lodge of Elks will have ten teams, Knights of Columbus bowlers will enter a like number, while the Masonic League of this city, composed of 20 teams—one of the biggest bowling leagues ever organized—will have all of its quints in the tourney.

The entrance of teams as a whole will be followed by most of the leagues of the city. The District League will enter all ten of its teams, the entrance fee being paid by the league instead of awarding, as is the usual custom, prize money to the winners. The Royal team, the probable winner in this league, and which would draw down about $90 for the feat, will contribute all this toward the entrance fees, while the team at the bottom, which would receive only $12, will get the benefit of the winner's money. It is this spirit on the part of the Washington bowlers that is making for the tremendous success of the A. C. B. A. tournament.

There will be several ladies teams entered, the fair sex bowlers taking their chances along with the men. What these feminine bowlers lack in ability they more than make up in enthusiasm, and "Ladies night" will be one big occasion.

The entries in the tournament closed March 25, and there are already several teams entered. There will be competition in the tourney, which starts April 3rd, afternoon and night, the only two occasions when afternoon rolling will not be staged being the day the Elks parade, and the afternoon of April 20th, when Washington and the rejuvenated Yankees pry open the local base ball season.

BASEBALL IN OLDEN DAYS

Not Very Expensive Sport, According to Figures of Big Leagues.

New York, Feb. 26.—A number of interesting references were made to the early days of professional baseball at the recent "anniversary dinner" of the National League in New York City. None attracted greater attention than the reading of the finances of the senfor organization for its initial year.

The report showed that the receipts of the league amounted to $821.82. Each of the eight clubs forming the association contributed $100 and a sporting goods' firm the remainder.

The expenses of the league for the year 1875 was $475.50, leaving a ballance of 346.32. The chief item of expense was the salary of $400 paid to Nick Young, who served as secretary and treasurer during the first year of the league's existence. Postage accounted for $17.25, with stamps costing 3 cents each in those days. Stationery amounted to $20.45; score sheets, $6.65; record book, $4.50, and a postoffice box, $4.75. There were a few stray items for telegrams, pins and other office appurtenances, but no mention of rent.

As opposed to this statement the financial report of the National Baseball Commission for 1914 gives an excellent idea of the growth of the business end of the game. The National League in 1875 was the dominating factor in baseball, just as the national commission is the supreme court of the game today. At the end of 1913 the national commission had a balance of $21,709.03. The receipts from all sources during 1914 amounted to $41,955.12, giving a total of $69,664.15. Owing to the baseball war and other unusual and unsettled conditions, the expenses of the commission were far above normal. The books show that during 1914 the disbursements of the commission amounted to $68,178.08, leaving a balance of $1,486.07 with which to start 1915.

These expenses, which were, roughly, three times larger than in 1911, cover a large field of activity such as Nick Young never dreamed of, and were due to the growth of the game and the conflict that waged for its control. The national commission paid $26,217.12 for salaries and $14,248.38 for legal fees alone in 1914. Advertising and the expense of members of the commission cost $3,271 and $3,542-.06, respectively. Stationery, printing and typewriting amounted to $2,139.93. The charge for telephone and telegraph service ran up to $1,092.02. Office rent was $1,284 and postage, $425, as against $17.25 for the National League in 1875. These figures testify mutely to the development of America's national sport.

EIGHT PURSES ANNOUNCED

For Grand Circuit Meet at Kalamazoo July 31 to August 5.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Feb. 26.—Eight purses totalling $21,800 in value were announced today for the grand circuit meeting here July 31 to August 5. Entries for these events will close March 27. Today's announcement includes the Paper Mills purse for 2:08 trotters, $10,000; free-for-all trotters, barring Directum I and William, $3,000, and three $4,000 events.

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VIRGINIA LEAGUE FORMED FOR THE SEASON OF 1916

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 26.—With five clubs having already made their deposits of $1,000 to insure their finishing the season, it became positively known in this city today that the Virginia League circuit for 1916 would be composed of the cities of Petersburg, Hopewell, Norfolk, Rocky Mount, Portsmouth and Newport News. The one remainin gclub that has not placed its forfeit is Newport News and this is explained in the fact that President Abe Howitz is in New York.

This one tardy member has been notified that its deposit must be forthcoming before Tuesday of next week when the league directors are to meet.

This does not indicate that Newport News will not be represented in the league in the instance Mr. Howitz does not put up his forfeit, for there are other sporting interests representing some little wealth in the Shipbuilding City that declare they are ready to take over the franchise and make the deposit at Tuesday's meeting. On the other hand it is known that outside interests have been asking for a price on the Shipbuilders' club and rumor has it that "Germany" Charles W. Schaffer, of Washington fame, has asked Manager Howitz to place a value on the club and the old star may buy into the minors.

HIGH SCHOOL WINS AGAIN.

Takes Second Game in Championship Series by Score of 20 to 10.

The Wilmington High School met and defeated the Stedman High School basketball team for a second time yesterday afternoon on an open court at the High School, by the score of 20 to 10.

The visitors played a considerably better game on the open court than they put up at the first game which was played Friday night at the Y. M. C. A. The stars for the Stedman team were J. R. Maxwell and O. Maxwell, the first named shooting two field goals, and four foul goals out of five chances, and O. Maxwell shot a field goal while turning a flip.

The stars for Wilmington were Silverman, Rourk and Hill, who were largely responsible for the large score made by the home team, while the close guarding of Monroe and Hanby kept down the score made by the visitors.

The game was refereed by Ben Houston and scorer was James Farmer. The local team will play its next game out of town, and the manager of the high school team, Rock Hall, expects to hear from Manager Rankin, who is directing the championship series, as to what institution will be played next during the early part of this week.

UMPIRES STAFF ANNOUNCED.

For Coming International League Season by President Barrow.

New York, Feb. 26.—The umpire staff for the coming International League season was announced tonight by Edward G. Barrow, president of the league. William B. Carpenter, A. J. Cleary, Bob Hart, Buck Freeman and E. S. Handiboe are retained from last year. The new arbiters are "Kitty" Bransfield, from the New England League; Scott Chestnut, from the Southern League, and Tom Keenan from the Tri-State League.

Pete Harrison, with the International in 1915, was graduated into the National League. This is the fifth successive year that this minor circuit has sent an umpire to the majors.

STATE MOTORCYCLE MEET.

Fayetteville Planning Big Event for Races in the Near Future.

Local motorcyclists will be interested in a letter published in yesterday afternoon's Fayetteville Observer from Mr. Chas. L. Lee, stating that the upper Cape Fear city is to have State motorcycle races. Plans were closed yesterday between Mr. Ross, of Philadelphia, and Fred D. Hutcheson, salesman for Harley-Davidson, in this territory, it is said, by which the big meet will be pulled off in the very near future, the date to be announced a little later by Mr. Hutcheson. Mr. Byrn Beckwith will be the favorite rider for Fayetteville. The Observer says.

NO MORE TOE HOLDS IN WRESTLING MATCHES HERE

Mayor Moore Writes Letter to Hanson Requesting That It Be Barred.

The toe hold in wresting matches in Wilmington will hereafter be barred as well as the strangle hold, Fritz Hanson announced yesterday. Mayor Moore wrote a letter to Mr. Hanson yesterday requesting that he bar this hold from future matches. In his letter to Mr. Hanson, the mayor expressed his approval of clean wrestling but said he thought anything tending towards cruelty should be debarred.

The use of the toe hold by Hanson in the match Friday night with Hartley caused considerable criticism. Hanson has never insisted on the use of this hold in any of his matches, but it was not barred by the conditions of the match Friday night.

John Poulios, of Jacksonville, Fla., who claims to be the Greek champion wrestler in this country, is scheduled for a match with Hanson here Friday night. He weighs 160 pounds, which is about ten pounds more than Hanson's usual weight, but the local man expects to be able to take care of himself in the contest without trouble.

JUNIORS HAVE FIELD DAY.

Y. M. C. A. Organizations Enjoy Sports at Sunset Park.

The members of the four junior clubs of the boys' department of the Y. M. C. A. together with their teachers had a field day and picnic back of Sunset Park yesterday afternoon. Twenty-five members of the clubs attended.

The following athletic contests were run off between the clubs: Running high jump, first place won by Richard Burnett, of the Princeton club; second place, Frank McGlaughon, of the Cornell club, third place, Roy Badon, fourth place, William Bremer, of the Columbia club; running broad jump, first place, Richard Burnett, and second place by Frank McGlaughon, Eugene Harding, third, Cofield King, fourth; 50-yard dash, first, Roy Badon, of the Dartmouth club, second, Clark Huggins, of the Princeton club, third, Aubrey Kelly, fourth, William Bremer, of the Columbia club.

FIVE PLAYERS RELEASED.

Two Former Athletics Will Come to the Carolina League.

Philadelphia, Feb. 26.—Connie Mack, manager of the Philadelphia Americans, tonight announced release of five players. They are Pitcher Walter Anker, to the Asheville (N. C.) League team; Harry Damrau, a third baseman; Pitcher Harry Eccles and Shorstop Harry C. Zeibold, who go to Wheeling (Central League); and Pitcher Wilbur Davis to Atlanta (Southern League).

A. & M. DEFEATS TRINITY BY CLOSE SCORE IN FINAL GAME.

In Very Exciting and Fast Game Aggies "Come Back" at Raleigh.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 26.—In a very exciting and fast game, A. & M. defeated Trinity College here at the auditorium tonight by a score of 27 to 25. The game was exceptionally close throughout, and at no stage was either of the two teams leading by four points. It was the fastest exhibition of basketball staged here this season, and it was a good close of season for A. & M.

Trinity defeated A. & M. when the latter journeyed to Durham and the Aggies were determined to try the come-back stuff, which they did.

Lindsay deserves great praise, for it was due to his timely scoring that gave Trinity their defeat. There were only two minutes left to play and Trinity was in the lead by a score of 25 to 24. A foul was called on Martin and Lindsay scored the foul, the score was now 25 to 27. In another minute Lindsay succeeded in caging a goal, this giving the Aggies a lead of two points, which they held until the finish. Mason also played a good game, scoring five field goals, while Sullivan scored one. For Trinity Ferrall was easily the star, caging three. Bunting also played a good game, making three goals. The line-up:

A. & M.		Trinity
Sullivan	RF	Ferrall
Temple	LF	Anderson
Lindsay	C	Bunting
Dew	RG	Lilley
Mason (c)	LG	Martin (c)

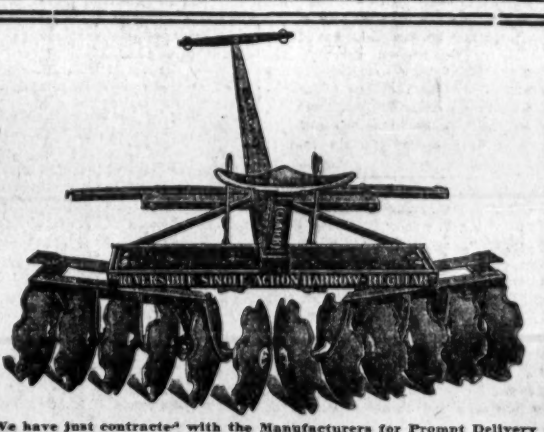
Summary—Field goals, A. & M.—Sullivan 1, Lindsay 5, Mason 5. Trinity—Ferrall 3, Anderson 2, Bunting 3, Martin 2. Referee, Mr. Sharpe, Northwestern University; umpire, Holding, Wake Forest; timekeepers, Sumner and Matton; scorer, Abernathy.

FOR FATHERS AND SONS.

Banquet Will Be Given in Boys' Lobby of Y. M. C. A. Friday Night.

On Friday evening beginning at 7 o'clock there will be ga "Father and Son" banquet in the lobby of the Young Men's Christian Association for the members of the Boys' Division. The banquet, however, will not be restricted to the members of the Y. M. C. A.

After the banquet there will be addresses and other features and a most enjoyable and profitable occasion is promised. Each boy is expected to bring his father as a guest. The arrangements for the banquet are under the general supervision of Mr. C. Walton Johnson, boys' work secretary.



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TOP O' THE MORNING

The sun does nothing but SHINE. What then? Men sneakingly put the gas out. Life is the unanswerable logic. Holiness is the invincible argument. Charity, benevolence, chivalry, self-sacrifice—these form the shining host that will chase all competitors away. —JOSEPH PARKER.

A boy has to have some aim in life if he ever expects to make a hit when he becomes a man.

Among those who earnestly hope the Republicans and Bull Moosers will get together at Chicago is every trust in America.

It may not be possible for us to have all our rights respected by others, but that is no reason why we should not respect them ourselves.

A Baltimore girl threw six eggs at a clergyman, but no doubt she could have made a much better impression by simply throwing a fit.

The Holland-American Line declared a dividend of 50 per cent. on last year's business. That company has every reason to laugh at Sherman's idea of war.

There are times when it is necessary to pause and gravely think before taking the next step. Without the exercise of prudence our next step might land us in a hole right up to the neck.

One advantage of not being in politics is that a man never knows how many charges can be made against him by those who don't even mind lying if they can only get an aspirant's goat by that means.

In order to recognize the fact that one man may have more sense than a hundred others, there's President Wilson and a large number of congressmen who seem disposed to go up Salt Creek without a paddle.

Says the Jacksonville Times-Union: "The Grand Duke Nicholas is said to have the longest legs in Europe." Anyhow, if we had legs as long as his, we'd rather use them for wading around in America till the war is over.

Again Japan denies the report that she intends to send troops to the assistance of Russia. Japan will need all of her troops to defend her Oriental doctrine against all comers after the war in Europe is over and the territorial exploiters get busy again.

The status of international law is not quite established, but it is better than nothing to guide the world's nations in their responsibilities to civilization. The best thing about international agreements, either ratified or acquiesced in, is that humanity is their chief principle.

The Wauchula (Fla.) Advocate says: "Jacksonville has a new bakery and, judging by the papers of that city, it is the first institution of the kind that city has ever had." Of course, the other bakeries have let that impression get out, owing to the fact that they never let it be known through the newspapers that they are doing business and desire to increase their patronage. As a matter of fact, however, they are still in business—so still, in fact, that only a few people find it out.

The DuPont Powder Company, of Wilmington, Del., has declared dividends totalling 24 per cent. on the common stock. The dividends include the regular quarterly dividend of 1 1-2 per cent. in cash, an extra dividend of 3 1-2 per cent in cash and an extra dividend of 19 per cent. payable in Anglo-French bonds. The holding company subscribed to a large amount of those bonds, like other American munitions concerns, and it is understood that all the companies will pass along these war securities to their stockholders in the shape of dividends. Holding companies prefer to hold the cash, although the Anglo-French bonds sold on the New York Stock Exchange at 94 3-4 the past week. If the bonds go to par the holding companies will get the worst end of the bargain.

ROAD BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE

There is a wonderful awakening just now, especialy in Eastern North Carolina, as to the necessity for good roads and it is encouraging to note from the various counties that while new construction is being urged, no little attention is now being paid to the maintenance of roads after they are built.

Brunswick county set the pace down here some months ago and besides building a number of improved sand clay road to nearly every imprtant township, capped the climax by building in splendid fashion her part of the proposed Charlotte-Wilmington highway from Northeast river bridge to the county line near Cronly. Progress is also being made on connecting Wilmington and Southport by a modern highway and before long we shall expect to see this realized.

Columbus county began building improved roads several years ago and some splendid ones she has built, but they are beginning to show the effects of wear and tear. However, the authorities over there are alive to the need of maintaining roads after they are built and Columbus continues not only to build splendid new highways and even so without bond issue, but is going back and bringing some of the old roads up to their former standard of excellence.

Bladen is casting eyes towards that Wilmington-to-Fayetteville highway and is already doing good work around Clarkton and towards the county seat at Elizabethtown. She may get the Fayetteville travel, if the work is kept up under the spur of that excellent paper, the Bladen Journal at Clarkton.

Robeson is a big county and has a big problem, but some fine roads have been built there. From Boardman, on the Columbus county line, the road to Lumberton has been improved and a fill made over the Lumber river swamps near Boardman, but once built the road has been rather neglected and the same may possibly be said as to the highway from Lumberton to Fayetteville. From Lumberton towards Red Springs and towards Maxton the highways are in good condition—weather conditions barred in any discussion of condition, however—and further on there is little complaint. Red Springs has fine highways radiating from there and the town is interested in connecting up with the National highway at Pinehurst and incidentally with the new highway which has already been mapped out from Charlotte to Pinehurst.

Pender county, a link in the Fayetteville highway, has an able roads champion in the Pender Chronicle of Burgaw and Editor Bland has the distinction of being secretary and teasurer of the recently formed association to further this highway building. He is putting in some active work in behalf of the internal development of his county and naturally good roads and maintenance come as the first consideration.

Up in Richmond and Anson, the Post at Rockingham, and the Ansonian, at Wadesboro, are alive not only to good roads, but having a considerable number of them, are now plugging away at a proper maintenance of what they have already constructed. One of the big developments up that way recently is the building by the two counties of a highway connecting Wadesboro and Rockingham, with a modern fast, cable ferry across the Pee Dee, while another link in the Charlotte highway is being built from Richmond county, via Morven and Wadesboro, eliminating the necessity of running down into Chesterfield county, in another state, to make the trip from Charlotte to Wilmington, North Carolina cities. The Asheville-Charlotte highway is all but a reality and further back towards the east, aside from the strictly coastal sections, the highways are wonderfully improved from what they were ten years ago.

The patrol system of maintenance of sand clay roads is rapidly winning favor and many counties, townships and communities have adopted this system, which is strongly recommended by State Geologist Joseph Hyde Pratt. One man is employed at so much per diem to attend to a certain section of the road and being able to arrest trouble at the outset, road builders are finding that nowhere more than in road maintenance is it truer that a "stitch in time saves nine."

But the East is coming along in the very front van of road building and it is encouraging that, with experience, there is no more insistent call for road building than there is for proper road maintenance. The patrol system is now being very generally discussed in this connection and let us hope that it will take firm root and that while building new roads, the old ones may not be neglected.

BE HONEST IN TRADE.

American manufacturers have engaged in an organized movement to head off what they fear will happen after the war in Europe. They fear that Europe will literally dump its goods over here and just about ruin our hothouse industries. Whether there is any danger of it or not, the manufacturers pretend to be scared and are demanding a prohibitive tariff so the American market can be fenced off, exclusively for American manufacturers.

In the meantime, while fearing European competition here in our home markets, we have talked about invading all the world markets and gobbling up Europe's trade while the Europeans are down and out with a war on their hands. Possibly our manufacturers expect to get all the world trade they can during the war and afterwards let the Europeans run them out of the markets which they slipped in and got during the war.

However, the New York Merchants' Association has warned American exporters of something more injurious to American trade than a European goods dumping campaign would be to American industries. The warning of the association is that American manufacturers will have to quit being tricky and dishonest with the foreign trade if they expect to hold it after the war. The warning is based on information collected abroad by the foreign trade service of the association's industrial bureau.

The New York Merchants' Association's warning goes on to state that foreign buyers of a certain line of goods are complaining that certain American firms are deliberately failing to live up to agreements which were made after the war began. The cost of raw material and supplies for the manufacture of these goods have not increased materially, but the price of the finished product has been advanced in a marked degree. The offending firms have been refusing to make deliveries on their contracts, but have been delivering on later contracts where the prices have been advanced 20 per cent, for example. One firm makes no excuse whatever, but frankly says that it will live up to its contract if the foreign buyers will pay 20 per cent more than the contract price. Such actions are making a bad impression on foreign buyers. The impression is that, unless it is strictly to our advantage to do so, we will not abide by our trade agreements. The official paper of the Merchants' Association says on this matter:

"Foreign buyers now are forced to turn to America for their goods. After the war is over active competition from other countries is to be expected in the leading foreign markets. American firms should constantly realize that whatever the advantage which the present situation may afford, they are but temporary. In the long run the merit and the price of the articles offered by different countries will largely determine which country sells the goods. At that time, however, the acquaintances now formed, the trade methods and trade reputation now established, will have their important bearing in determining whether or not the houses which are our present customers continue to purchase American goods. When keen competition is again restored, the resentment of unbusiness-like treatment by American houses will not be forgotten."

All American firms do not carry on such unscrupulous dealings with foreigners, but enough of them do to give foreign buyers the impression that this is a nation of humbugs and humbuggery. Those are the kinds of firms which insist on a tariff wall so high they can stay back of it and exploit American consumers without having to meet foreign competition. The New York Merchants' Association points out that the best guarantee of success and the best of protection for American traders is to "be honest in trade."

FLESH GROWN MONEY.

Cattle at the Canadian experimental farm are gaining two pounds of flesh daily, and, of course, every pound gained adds that much money value to the cattle. These cattle are housed and are being fed under extremely severe winter conditions. Herds which have fared badly on acount of feed shortage have greatly deteriorated and alarm has been caused in Western Canada by sensational reports concerning winter injury to cattle and sheep. Reports are said to be exaggerated, but official reports admit that under old and crude conditions cattle and sheep have suffered severely, in spite of an abundance of food. The herds have been housed since early last fall.

Even at best the cold regions make livestock raising a precarious business. It requires a large amount of capital to build proper housing barns on the farms, to keep them well supplied with feedstuffs and to hire attendants to feed and water and care for the herds and flocks all the winter. Nevertheless, the ranchmen go to all that expense and the successful ones get their money back in the spring and summer when the beef cattle and wool flocks get a chance to grow and get fat. That is winning success under direst difficulties that are never experienced at any season of the year in Eastern North Carolina.

The world has reason to wonder why Eastern North Carolina has no large livestock industry when the conditions are so favorable and the advantages in economy are so great. The Department of Agriculture at Washington is more astonished than anybody else, but certainly we ought to be perfectly astonished at ourselves.

The livestock industry in the rigid climate of the Northwest and Canada is largely a hot-house institution, but down here in Eastern North Carolina we eat hot-house Western beef, mutton and pork. We pay the West for all that expensive winter housing and feeding of livestock. If we ever undertook to go into livestock raising, we could easily get rid of the only obstacle—the Texas cattle tick—while in the regions where frightful winters have to be contended with, they cannot get rid of the severe weather conditions which at times bring ruin to the cattle and sheep industry.

The Canadian livestock situation is admitted to be grave, but what concerns us mostly is the fact that the livestock industry there has to be only a rich man's job. Furthermore, cattle cooped up in the barns at dead of winter and heavily fed will put on two pounds of valuable flesh per day, something like 50 cents per day, as beef sells in Wilmington, whereas cattle grazing in the open in this climate can pick up more flesh than that. We are not urging anybody here to go into the livestock industry, but we are always wondering why they don't do it when the Department of Agriculture is emphasizing the South as Nature's own livestock country.

No "simon pure Democrat" ever voted a Republican ticket because he did not care to support some Democrat running for office. Uncle Hiram says a man can scratch a Democrat and remain a Democrat, but he can't vote for a Republican without voting against his own principles. A "simon pure" is a man who never votes against his political convictions, if he has any worth having. A man has a right to change from one party to another, but he belongs only to the one he sticks to from principle.

CURRENT COMMENT

The rise in the price of lumber, one of the principal products of this county, has certainly improved business conditions here. The mills are buying more timber, are running all the time, and conditions among a large number of our people have considerably improved by reason thereof.—Pender Chronicle.

Once again we fly our flag, "Haywood Clark for Secretary of State," and ask the great body politic of the State of North Carolina to honor one of its most worthy and capable servants. The large number of railroad employes through him are asking that they be remembered when political honors and positions of public trust are bestowed. No truer man, no more courteous gentleman, no better posted and capable officer can be found than Capt. Haywood Clark.—Snow Hill Square Deal.

The farmers seem to be very slow indeed when it comes to buying fertilizer. As a rule at this season they are busy hauling it out to their farms. It is not the case this year. Not a man is seen hauling fertilizer. The farmers are waiting and many of them say they are going to continue to wait as long as the prices remain as high as they now stand. They don't like the idea of paying so much more per ton for the "stuph" than they have been paying and risk the chance of its not being worth as much as usual. Many say what they bought last year was worth very little and the potash seems to be less abundant than it was when the fertilizer used last year was made. It is a problem among the agricultural classes. One thing sure, if they don't use any and don't make an average crop they will not have the average bills to meet next fall. There is a bright side to almost any question. It is a fact no doubt that the farmers generally have been relying too much on commercial fertilizers and not "doing enough real farming," as Mr. A. L. French observes.—Lumberton Robesonian.

ROCKY MOUNT COUNTRY CLUB BUYS ANTIQUE COLONIAL HOME

"Lewis Mansion" to be Used for Club Purposes—Golf Links.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Rocky Mount, N. C., Feb. 26.—With more than a hundred representative local citizens petitioning for a purchase of shares of stock from an amount of $100 to $1,000, there will be organized in Rocky Mount on Monday night a country club that it is expected will in the future play no small part in the social life of this city and section. Twenty thousand dollars has already been subscribed to finance the project and at the meeting in the Municipal building Monday night officers will be elected, along with the governors, and the option held by the tentative organization on the handsome and historic Lewis home will be exercised and plans made for the transfer of the 126 acres to the Country Club organization.

The property which is to be purchased, from natural advantages, is more aptly suited to the needs of a country club than possibly any in Eastern Carolina or the State. The property is just one mile from the city on the new short route highway of the Atlantic Coast and is approached from this city by paved streets and macadam road. Over 100 acres of land is cleared and with a half mile of its boundary line marked by the Stoney creek and Tar river it is gradually sloping while the historic three-story home, a mansion in its day, and built of brick, is surrounded by a broad expanse of shade trees, years old, while from the home there is an excellent view of the handsome falls of Tar river.

The Lewis home was built about 1825 by Bennett Bunn, and, according to a legend, the brick for the structure were brought from England wrapped in tissue paper and hauled by oxen from an arriving ship in Norfolk. The architecture of the struce is a model architecture of the structure is a model rooms to each of the three floors, and has the ancient and accepted garret. It is the purpose of the country club management to have the structure undergo changes and to suit it to the needs of the club, though maintaining as far as possible regard for the antique. The building is in an excellent state of preservation and has been occupied almost continually since it was built nearly a century ago.

The cleared lands on the estate will probably be podded with the opening of the spring and a golf course will be laid out.

SON DROWNED; MOTHER IS GIVEN VERDICT OF $10,000

Result of Suit Against Southern Power Co., at Greensboro.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Feb. 26.—The jury in the case of Mrs. W. F. Gurley vs. the Southern Power Company and its manager at High Point this afternoon returned a verdict for $10,000 in favor of the plaintiff on account of the drowning of the plaintiff's son, Samuel Shrophire, in the cooling tank of the power company at High Point in July of last year. The boy was 14 years of age, and on a Sunday afternoon was swimming in the pool, with a number of other boys. The manager kept bathing suits which he rented to boys at ten cents each, and was in the habit of permitting boys to swim in the pool. On the occasion complained of, when other boys came out they noticed young Shropshire's clothes and called the attention of the manager to the fact. He began investigating and found the body of the boy in the bottom of the tank. No effort was made to resuscitate the boy, and this is one of the things the plaintiff complains of.

HAMMOND FILES MOTION.

To Set Aside Verdict Against Him to Pay $30,000 to S. J. Sully.

Washington, Feb. 26.—John Hays Hammond, millionaire mining expert, today filed a motion in District Supreme court to set aside the verdict for $30,000 damages against him in favor of Samuel J. Sully, of New York. Sully alleged that Hammond attempted to destroy his reputation as a cotton expert.

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DR. RAYMOND SMITH ACCEPTS

Elected to Presidency of Atlantic Christian College, Succeeding Dr. Caldwell.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Wilson, N. C., Feb. 26.—Rev. Raymond A. Smith, of Beckley, Va., for the past three years president of Beckley Institute, has been elected president of the Atlantic Christian College, of Wilson, and has accepted the position and will take charge June 1st. The announcement was made last night following the receipt of the letter of acceptance. Dr. Smith will succeed Rev. J. C. Caldwell, D. D., who has very successfully and satisfactorily managed the college for the past nine years. Dr. Caldwell will go to Drake University, Des Moines, Ia., as the dean of the faculty.

Atlantic Christian College is the leading educational institution of the Christian Church, (Disciples of Christ) in the Southern states, and is enjoying a well merited success, with students of both sexes from several states. The new president was associated with President J. J. Harper, as a member of the Atlantic Christian College faculty, in 1906, and consequently has a number of intimate friends here. Dr. Smith is well qualified for the position. He first graduated from Vincennes University in 1894; received his degree of A. B. from Butler College in 1900; his A. M. from the University of Indianapolis in 1904, and the degree of B. D. from Yale in 1905. He was a graduate student of philosophy at the University of Pennsylvania in 1902 and 1903 and graduate student in education at the University of Virginia, 1914. During his years of active work in the ministry he has held pastorates in Philadelphia and Indianapolis. Active in civic and religious work, he was the president of the Christian Minister's Association of Indianapolis and also a member of the Commercial Club.

WORK PROGRESSING ON LINK OF WILMINGTON-CHARLOTTE ROAD

Ferry Road Between Hamlet and Wadesboro Cuts Off 30 Miles.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Hamlet, N. C., Feb. 26.—Work is progressing rapidly on the Ferry road, which is being built by Richmond county to join the road being built in Anson county to connect with the ferry over the Pee Dee river about 12 miles from Hamlet. The ferry will begin as soon as the roads are completed. This will cut off at least 30 miles in the travel from Hamlet or Rockingham to Wadesboro, and will shorten the distance from Charlotte to Wilmington the same.

It has been necessary heretofore in order to go from one side of the Pee Dee river to the other to go by Cheraw, S. C., and this ferry will eliminate this.

ABOUT 300,000 BABIES DIE BEFORE ONE YEAR

The Census Bureau estimates that 300,000 babies died in this country last year before the age of one year, and it is stated that one-half of these deaths were needless if all mothers were strong and infants were breast-fed.

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HOPE MILLS TRANSFERRED TO NEWLY ORGANIZED CORPORATION

Rocky Mount Concern Now Owns Cotton Factories in Cumberland.

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 26.—The deeds have been signed and recorded for the formal transfer of the cotton mill property at Hope Mills, seven miles south of Fayetteville, to the newly organized "Rockfish Mills, Incorporated," a Rocky Mount corporation, from the Eastern Mills Company, which a few months ago bought the property from the Hope Mills Manufacturing Company. Organization of the Rocky Mount corporation, its incorporation under the laws of the State and the sale of the cotton mills have been heretofore announced.

The Eastern Mills Company is composed of Messrs. A. J. McKinnon, J. F. McNair and W. J. Beattie, Jr. This company bought the mills a few months ago when they were sold at auction. It is announced that one of the four mills, No. 2, will be started up in 30 days and the other three as soon as they can be renovated and put in first class working condition.

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RALLY TOMORROW TO BE LARGELY ATTENDED

Former Governor Patterson and Dr. Swadener to Speak.

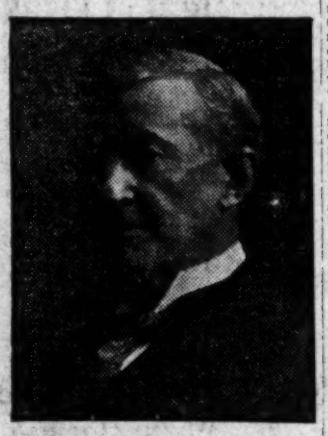
At First Baptist Church in the Interest of National Prohibition—Both Men are Orators of National Reputation.

If the crowds which have been greeting their appearance in other cities of the State are any indication of what may be expected in Wilmington, it is safe to say that the First Baptist church will be packed Monday evening to hear former Governor Malcolm R. Patterson, of Tennessee, and Dr. Madison Swadener, of Indiana, lecture in the interest of National prohibition. At a meeting held last week the Wilmington Ministerial Association passed a resolution endorsing the coming of Governor Patterson and Dr. Swadener to this city, and later announced that the meteing would be held in the First Baptist church.

The meeting which will begin promptly at 8 o'clock, will be presided over by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, who will introduce the speakers. The regular meeting will be preceded by a short devotional service beginning at 7:45 o'clock.

Governor Patterson and Dr. Swadener will arrive from Newbern by train at 12:50 o'clock tomorrow afternoon; and will be met at the station by several ministers and a delegation from the local Chamber of Commerce. The delegation from the Chamber of Commerce includes the following: Messrs. J. Allan Taylor, C. C. Covington, M. W. Jacobi, W. C. Peterson and W. H. Sprunt. The members of the delegation will proceed to the station in automobiles and take their guests for a trip around the city.

These two men promise to bring to the people of Wilmington knowledge of just what the forces working for National prohibition have accomplished and expect to accomplish in the



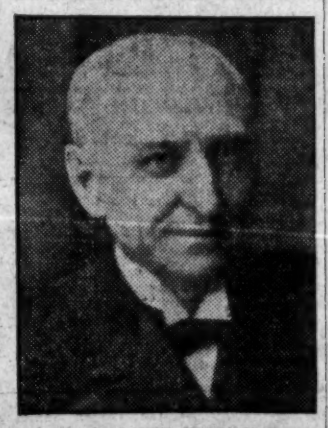
HON. MALCOLM T. PATTERSON.

next few years. It is announced that they will outline the present efforts of the National Prohibition party to secure congressional legislation that will make this country a saloonless nation within five years, and its programme for bringing this to pass.

Although Governor Patterson first attracted nation-wide attention through his pardon of the Coopers, who were given prison terms in connection with the shooting down of former United States Senator Edward W. Carmack in the streets of the State capital, he has since gained a National reputation as an orator.

His conversion to the cause of prohibition is of comparatively recent date. According to his own statements, from the time of his boyhood until about two and a half years ago, he opposed prohibition. While governor of Tennessee, he vetoed the state-wide prohibition bill passed by the state legislature, although it became a law over his signature.

During one of the two terms as governor of his native state, after being elected on a "license" platform, he became convinced of the evils of the liquor traffic, and turned about face



DR. MADISON SWADENER.

and has since been one of the strongest advocates of state-wide and nation-wide prohibition.

Dr. Madison Swadener comes from Indiana, and is a national lecturer for the Anti-Saloon League of America. He has conducted a large number of successful evangelistic meetings and has been a familiar figure on the Chautauqua platform. Dr. Swadener has been the pastor of several of the largest churches of the Middle West. His powers of oratory assure him a large audience whenever he speaks.

DR. BULLUCK TO SPEAK.

Young Physician Will Address Boys at the Y. M. C. A. Today.

Dr. Ernest S. Bulluck will be the speaker at the meeting for the boys at the Y. M. C. A. this afternoon at 4:45 o'clock. His address will be one of a series of four on informational subjects and will deal with science. There will be a special musical programme. All the boys of the city are cordially invited to attend the meeting.

SWIFT & CO. TO HAVE NEW BUILDING HERE

Packing Concern Planning for Big Improvement in City.

Work to Begin on Two-Story Brick Structure Within a Few Weeks—Cost Will Be Between $40,000 and $50,000.

Plans are now under way for beginning work within the next few weeks on a new building for the Wilmington branch of Swift & Co., the well known meat packers and distributors, which will cost possibly between $40,000 and $50,000. The new structure will be of brick, two stories in height, and in all probability will be located on the site of the present branch house, No. 307 Nutt street, which is owned by Swift & Co.

It has been known for some time that Swift & Co. were contemplating the erection of a new branch house here. Plans for the erection of a new building have been under consideration for several months. It was first planned to put the structure on Water street and it was stated last night that the site had not been definitely agreed upon, but it is understood that the structure will be built at No. 307 Nutt street. The plans for the building have been sent to the Chicago office for final revision, it is understood, but it is expected that definite announcements may be expected during the coming week. Bids have been asked for and several Wilmington contractors are competing for the job. As soon as the plans are definitely agreed upon, the contract will be awarded and work will begin immediately.

The present building used by Swift & Co. for their extensive business in this section is a brick structure, one story in height, but is inadequate for the needs of the branch here. The new structure will be modern and up-to-date in every respect with ample storage room.

It was stated yesterday that a packing plant might be operated in connection with the branch house. Mr. C. F. Nurnberger, the local manager, refused to make any statements concerning the nature of the structure, but did not deny that plans are under way for putting up a new building in the next few weeks.

The announcement of the improvement by Swift & Co. is another evidence of the confidence of business men in the future growth of Wilmington and the surrounding territory. It will be learned with much interest here that there is to be addition of another handsome building to the jobbing center of the city.

Armour & Co. already have a modern building for their branch house in this city at No. 17 Water street. This was erected several years ago.

BOYS' BRIGADE LYCEUM.

Zimmer Sisters Concert Party Presents Number on Tuesday Night.

The next number on the lyceum course at the Boys' Brigade armory will be given on Tuesday night, February 29th, when the Zimmer Sisters Concert Party will offer their entertainment of music and readings, giving a programme that will be appreciated and enjoyed by all, and one entirely different from that of any previous number.

The personnel of the company is as follows: Miss Nellie Zimmer, harpist; Miss Ethel Zimmer, pianist and contralto soloist; Miss Nellie Foster, reader and vocalist.

Miss Ethel Zimmer is a young woman of great personal charm, possessing a splendid personality, well adapted for platform work. She is a graduate of the Ithaca Conservatory of Music and has had wide experience as a pianist and contralto soloist. For a number of years she was with the LeBarge Concert Company, and with her own company she has had many tours throughout all parts of the country. She does piano monologues with quaint descriptions of what it all means, and she plays from the masters in such a way that the common people understand and are entertained and pleased.

Miss Nellie Zimmer plays a tremendous Irish harp, and her numbers promise to be a rare treat. Miss Zimmer learned to play the harp under Van Veachten Robers, who is not only the leading harpist in the United States, but has had 28 years lyceum experience. Miss Zimmer has aroused much wonder and enthusiasm in the numerous recitals she has given with her sister.

Miss Nellie Foster is an accomplished dramatic reader and vocalist. She has a clear and resonant voice, and a perfect enunciation which is a delight to all who hear her. Her repertoire of dramatic readings includes a unique presentation of "The Songs of Solomon," "Self-Dependence," by Matthew Arnold, "L'Envoi," by Kipling, and selections from Eugene Fields and many others. Her vocal repertoire includes such numbers as "The Scene from Aria from Faust," "Songs My Mother Taught Me," by Dvorak, "Aria from Joan of Arc," besides many simple and charming ballads.

There will no doubt be another large audience out to enjoy the Zimmer Sisters musical entertainment, especially as this will be the last musical number of the season, the two remaining numbers being Dr. Charles Lane, humorist, and Mrs. William Calvin Chilton, monodramist. The programme Tuesday evening will begin, as usual, at 8:30 o'clock, the doors being opened at 7:45 o'clock. The reserved seat sale will be open all day Tuesday from 8 A. M. till 6 P. M., at Munson & Co.'s, and single admission tickets, 50 cents each, may also be secured during those hours.

DEATH OF MRS. NEWTON.

Passed Away Last Evening at Her Home in This City—Funeral Today.

Many friends will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Francis Elizabeth Newton, wife of Mr. J. M. Newton, who passed away last night at 8:30 o'clock at her home, No. 1012 1-2 North Fourth street, after a short illness. She was 65 years old.

The death of Mrs. Newton occurred only a week after that of her brother, Mr. John H. Dew, for many years a members of the Wilmington police force, and comes as a particularly sad blow to her only sister, Mrs. J. L. Callahan, who will have the tender sympathy of many friends.

The funeral will be held this afternoon at 4 o'clock from Bladen Street Methodist church, of which the deceased was a faithful member for many years. The interment will be in Bellevue cemetery.

GENERAL ADJUSTMENT COMMITTEE ADJOURNS

Representatives Of A. C. L. Conductors Go Home

Chairman S. J. Brooks and Secretary Warren L. Jones Re-Elected to Their Positions—Conferences Are Finished.

With the election of officers for the ensuing year, the members of the general adjustment committee for the conductors of the Atlantic Coast Line left for their homes yesterday afternoon after having been in Wilmington continuously for nearly two months. Following the satisfactory adjustment of the controversy that arose as a result of the inauguration of the White Audit System, the committee was in conference Friday and yesterday with Mr. P. R. Albright, general manager of the A. C. L., regarding a number of matters.

On account of the length of time taken up with the negotiations relative to an auditing system, the conferences about other subjects were necessarily limited, but the more pressing business was attended to. The matters taken up at the conferences did not deal with anything of public concern.

Mr. S. J. Brooks, of Richmond, Va., was re-elected as general chairman, and Mr. J. M. Larisey, of Charleston, S. C., was elected as vice chairman. Mr. Warren L. Jones, of Wilmington, who has served very efficiently as the secretary of the committee for the last five or six years, was re-elected to this position.

There are 13 members of the committee and all of them were here for the conferences. The committee is composed of the following: S. J. Brooks, general chairman, Richmond, Va.; J. M. Larisey, vice chairman, Charleston, S. C.; Warren L. Jones, secretary, Wilmington; P. W. Jones, Richmond; G. C. Sanders, Weldon, N. C.; H. Duty, Rocky Mount, N. C.; J. C. McClenaghan, Florence, S. C.; W. W. Sweat, Savannah, Ga.; W. B. Stovall, Waycross, Ga.; W. M. Lewis, Montgomery, Ala.; F. H. Hussey, Lakeland, Fla.; L. O. White, Port Tampa City, Fla.; D. A. Kelly, Sanford, Fla.

With the exception of General Chairman Brooks, who with his wife will spend Sunday in the city with friends, all the members of the committee left for their homes last evening on the 6:45 train, the conference having adjourned sine die yesterday afternoon.

SHIPPING IN DISTRESS.

Brunswick Eagle Tells of Two Casualties Off Shallotte Coast.

The Brunswick Eagle, of Shallotte, has the following of local interests:

"The schooner Slover, owned by the Shallotte Trading Company, and operated between Shallotte and Wilmington as a freight boat, while coming in over the bar at Shallotte inlet on Monday in a southeast gale broke her foremast and lost both anchors and chain in trying to keep off the shoals. Capt. James Chadwick, master, who is an old seaman, was using his best efforts to save his ship when Capt. Morgan, who happened to be nearby with a power boat, went to his assistance and brough the vessel in. The little schooner Bessie May also ran ashore, but was not damaged.

"A ninety-two foot pleasure yacht lies on the beach near Little river, S. C., where it went ashore by missing the channel in trying to make harbor on Sunday night. The yacht was on its way up the coast from Florida waters to Long Island, New York, and carried a crew of six. An effort will probably be made to get it afloat."

MORE MONEY IS NEEDED

To Pay Expense of Survey of Wilmington-Fayetteville Highway.

The Pender Chronicle, published at Burgaw, states that the amount of money that has been collected for the Wilmington-Fayetteville highway is $225. It will take at least $500 to make the preliminary survey and The Chronicle is seeking to secure the balance.

The people of Pender are fully alive to the importance of this improved highway and are doing splendid work in its behalf. They have had the loyal co-operation of the people of the entire section and with the endorsement of the proposition by the State highway officials, the proposed road should be a reality within a few years.

DODGE CARS IN 24 HOUR SERVICE

Rochester Police Department Makes Choice After Severe Tests.

A fleet of five Dodge Brothers motor cars has just been put into service by the police department of Rochester, N. Y. The choice of cars was made after exhaustive tests extending over several weeks in which careful records were kept of the maintenance costs and also of the general performance of the cars. Others are to be added to the fleet.

The cars are in use at the various police stations 24 hours each day, each car has three drivers, who work in eight hour shifts. They are used by the detectives in answering hurry calls, racing to fires, etc.

MR. MIDDLETON RETURNS.

State Sunday School Secretary Reports Plans For Baptist Assembly.

Secretary Middleton upon his return to Raleigh the past week after a conference here with local Baptist leaders, spoke optimistically of the plans for the Seaside assembly which is to be held at Wrightsville Beach June 26-July 2.

"Preceding this," says yesterday's Raleigh Times, "the State Convention of the Baptist Young People's Union, June 22-25, will be held. The Tidewater Power Company is preparing to build at Wrightsville a 3,000 capacity auditorium, with a view to making it a professional, civic and religious convention center."

MEMBERS ARE INITIATED.

Regular Meeting of Cape Fear Council, United Commercial Travelers.

The regular meeting of Cape Fear Council, United Commercial Travelers, was held in their hall in the Odd Fellows' building last evening. Two candidates were initiated into the secrets of the order, these being Messrs. Walter Clifford Newton and George Howard Howell. Senior Counselor C. B. Wessell presided and Secretary W. C. Smith kept a record of the proceedings.

The next meeting of the council will be held on Saturday night, March 11, when officers will be elected for the ensuing year.

EXPERT SPEAKS TO TEACHERS

State Agent L. C. Brogden Urges the Importance of Maintaining High Standards of Work.

Speaking to the public school teachers of New Hanover county at their regular monthly meeting yesterday morning at the Hemenway school on the subject of "The School Course of Study," Mr. L. C. Brogden, State agent for rural elementary schools, of the Department of Public Instruction at Raleigh, emphasized the importance of teachers in the local schools keeping the children in the various grades up to the standards outlined in the course of study both as to volume and quality of work done.

The speaker pointed out that if teachers are careful to see that their students in the various grades cover the amount of subject matter in the time allotted, it will effect great economies both in time and expense to the pupils themselves and to the country treasury.

He declared that the course of study as adopted was the work of educational experts in the various subjects taught in the different grades, and that if these standards are maintained, the central department could know almost to the lesson just what every child in the full-term schools is studying on a given day throughout the State.

Such a rigid and strict adherence to the course of study, he pointed out, would mean that if a pupil was transferred from the county to the city schools by reason of his parents moving away, it would entail no loss of time as he could immediately enter upon his work in the new school in the city just where he left in the country.

Failure to maintain such standards, Mr. Brogden said, might cause the child to drop back a grade and thus lose a whole year, thus entailing additional expense upon the county and upon the parents.

Friday evening Mr. Brogden delivered a very interesting educational address to the pupils at Seagate school, and a very interesting programme of exercises arranged by the Mothers' Club of the school was carried out. At this meeting Dr. John Thames, assistant county health officer, gave the pupils an interesting talk on the subject of health and school sanitation. Prof. Washington Catlett, superintendent of county schools, who introduced the speakers, also made a short talk to the pupils and the friends and patrons of the school who attended in large numbers.

TO APPEAR AT ACADEMY.

Reading by Mr. Frank Speaight Will Be One of Leading Social Events.

The Dickens' evening to be given March 6th by Mr. Frank Speaight will be one of the big social events of the season in Wilmington. The original plan was to have Mr. Speaight appear at the Victoria but this has been changed and he will speak at the Academy of Music instead.

The reading by Mr. Speaight is said to be really more of a play as Mr. Speaight's work is so unique that it is difficult to describe. At first Mr. Speaight was confused with dramtic readers. He has, however, rapidly taken his place in his proper field, that of an actor, and his recitals are now looked upon as plays.

With a versatility peculiar to him, he calls up one after another of the immortal characters, each of whom for the time being, holds the stage so definitely that it is hard to believe that there are not many actors instead of a solitary man in evening dress. So rapidly does Mr. Speaight change and so vivid are his characterizations, that it is like witnessing a play in which every part is taken by a star actor, who is the very essence of the Dickens proper.

If you want a good laugh over the escapades of the famous "Pickwicklans," and who does not want to laugh these days, don't fail to go to the Dickens recital.

Tickets are 50 cents each and may be purchased from any member of the Ministering Circle, under whose patronage the tertainment is presented, or they may be bought at Yates' and Honnet's.

—Papers of incorporation have been issued for B. H. Stephens & Co. The company is authorized to do a general architectural business and also to acquire the good will, assets and rights of companies and likewise to undertake to carry the part or the whole of the liabilities. The incorporators are Mr. B. H. Stephens, a well known architect here, and Messrs. R. C. McCarl and E. O. Penney.

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WILMINGTON DISTRICT ENLARGED.

Bell Telephone Company Adds Robeson County to District.

Announcement was made yesterday by District Manager S. D. Lucas, of the Bell Telephone Company, of this city, that the Wilmington district has been enlarged by the addition of Robeson county. This will add three exchanges to the local district. They are those at Lumberton, Rowland and Fairmont. With the new territory added, the Wilmington district of the telephone company now includes nine counties as follows: Bladen, Columbus, New Hanover, Brunswick, Pender, Onslow, Duplin, Sampson and Robeson.

District Manager Lucas states that the manager at Lumberton, who has hitherto reported to the Raleigh office of the company will now report to the Wilmington office. He points out that this change will considerably facilitate the handling of the company's business in Robeson county.

GOLDSBORO BOY PROMOTED.

Mr. J. Ray Hunt, Formerly of Wilmington, Given Splendid Position.

His many friends in Wilmington and elsewhere have been pleased to learn that Mr. J. Ray Hunt, son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Hunt, of Goldsboro, and formerly employed in the Traffic Department of the general offices of the Atlantic Coast Line in Wilmington, has been appointed traveling tariff inspector over the entire system of the Norfolk Southern Railroad with his headquarters in Norfolk, Va. His new duties become effective March 1st.

Mr. Hunt left Wilmington last August after establishing a notable reputation in the railroad office here and his promotion by the Norfolk Southern to a more responsible position is not a surprise to those who know of his ability.

—There will be services at Castle Haynes this afternoon at 3:30, at which hour Rev. W. Marshall Craig, acting pastor of the First Baptist church of Wilmington, will preach. All the people of the community are cordially invited to attend.

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While hate and strife increase,
Her children 'neath the Stars and Stripes
Live side by side in peace.

We do not share the battle's strife,
In hate we have no part,
But to each suffering brother's cry
We open hand and heart.

By true American spirit swayed
We answer to the call.
"With malice toward none," we say,
"With charity for all."

—ESTHER MENDELSOHN.

(Mrs. Mendelsohn was persuaded by some friends to allow the publication of these lines which accompanied her donation to the forthcoming Bazaar to be held under the auspices of the United Society of St. George and St. Andrew. This bazaar is one of several that have been given in this city for the benefit of various war sufferers. The sentiment expressed in the verses is an echo of the truly humane spirit animating the hearts of the people of Wilmington.)

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Miss Myrtle Koonce, of Trenton, is a visitors in the city, a guest at the Orton.

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Mrs. G. Miller, of Asheville, was registered yesterday at the Hotel Wilmington.

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Mrs. F. J. Egan and Miss Mary Donlan are the guests of Mrs. Leo Lacey in Southport.

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Miss Elsie Moore, of Philadelphia, is visiting Mrs. James Williams at Carolina Heights.

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Misses Lila and Adeline Keith are the guests of Mrs. Thos. E. Cooper for a few days.

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Mrs. W. C. Leighton, accompanied by her milliner, Miss Blanche Ellett, has returned from the North.

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Miss Jane Fennell left yesterday morning to spend a few days with her parents and other relatives and friends at Kerr, N. C.

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Mr. T. J. Ellis, who recently arrived in the city to become superintendent of the Swift Fertilizer Works, and Mrs. Ellis are living at No. 2002 Market street.

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Yesterday's Raleigh News and Observer: "Mrs. Josh T. James, who has been visiting Mrs. R. B. Raney, left yesterday afternoon for her home in Wilmington."

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There will be a meeting of the educational committee of the Y. W. C. A. tomorrow afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. The Blue Ridge Club will meet Tuesday night at 8 o'clock.

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The silk kimona, which was the prize in a contest conducted by Mrs. A. Leibman, for the benefit of the Ladies' Concordia Society, was won by Mrs. Leopold Simon, of Philadelphia, Pa.

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The Whatsoever Circle of the King's Daughters and Sons will hold their regular monthly meeting at the residence of Mrs. James Howard, Sunset Park, tomorrow evening at 4 o'clock. A full attendance of the members is desired.

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One of the features of the approaching Bazaar for the benefit of the war sufferers in Serbia, Belgium and Poland will be a commissary conducted by a corps of Red Cross nurses, not the National Red Cross, but the Red Cross in symbolism. Each penny spent at this booth will have full value returned and at the same time will be a means of helping to alleviate suffering in the war stricken countries.

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Tickets are being sold for the Domino dance and card party to be given Wednesday, March 1, from 9 to 11 o'clock at the Knights of Columbus hall by the ladies of St. Mary's Circle.

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Miss Josephine Stough, of Bellefontaine, Ohio, will sing a solo, "Teach Me to Pray," by Jessie Mae Jewett, at the Sunday evening service of the Christian Endeavor Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church at 7:15 o'clock tonight.

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Yesterday's Charlotte Observer: "Mr. and Mrs. Wade H. Harris entertained at a charming and elegant dinner party at their home on North Church street, Thursday evening in honor of Dr. Yates W. Faison and bride. Aside from the guests of honor those present were Mrs. James C. Leslie, Miss Irene Harty, Miss Laura Hammond, of Columbia, S. C.; Mr. Frank G. Harris, of Wilmington, and Mr. and Mrs. James P. Harris."

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The Epworth League of the Fifth Avenue Methodist church will hold a white sale of ladies' and children's underwear Thursday, March 2, beginning at 9 o'clock, at No. 22 North Second street. Oysters and salads will also be served during the day at reasonable prices.

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Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Comes will leave Monday afternoon for an extended trip to Southern cities. After visiting Jacksonville and St. Augustine, Fla., they will go to New Orleans, La., Mr. Comes' old home, in time to attend the Mardi Gras. They expect to return to Wilmington early in April.

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Misses Marie and Margaret Dreher delightfully entertained at their home Friday evening at a George Washington party. After a pleasant hour spent in playing games, delicious refreshments were served and pretty favors distributed among the guests. The remainder of the evening was spent in dancing.

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Mrs. G. H. Croom has returned from Winston-Salem, where she attended the wedding of Miss Elizabeth Rudder Fearrington to Mr. A. B. Croom. The wedding was the leading social event of the week in the Twin City. Mr. and Mrs. Croom have gone on a bridal trip by automobile in Florida and will be at home in Wilmington after March 20th.

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SHOWER PARTY IS GIVEN FOR PROSPECTIVE BRIDE.

A miscellaneous shower was given Friday evening by Mrs. Percy Wells at her home at Carolina Place in honor of Miss Rosa Mae Furlong, whose engagement to Mr. E. L. White was recently announced. Interesting games were played, among which was Progressive Hearts in which the first prize was won by Miss Vera Furlong, while Miss Shanahan took the booby prize.

After the games were over, the surprise of the evening occurred when little Miss Ruth Shinesberger walked into the room with a basket loaded with gifts for the bride-to-be, Miss Rosa Mae Furlong. Before the party broke up delightful refreshments were served to the guests.

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MUCH INTEREST SHOWN IN JUBILEE CELEBRATION

The following summary of the results of the Jubilee celebration of the Y. W. C. A. was received the past week, bing a night letter from the central office:

"Sustained interest throughout the country. Many volunteer workers offering. Growing membership interest. Industrial banquet with employers and wives popular. Every tiny country center celebrating. Finance and membership campaigns ensuing. Attendance at vespers increases weekly. Student papers note banquets, rallies, vespers. Twenty-six members of one city association estranged for four years returned."

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INFORMAL LUNCHEON GIVEN BY MISS NINA M'INTYRE

Wallace, N. C., Feb. 26.—Friday afternoon Miss Nina McIntyre entertained some of her friends at a delightful informal luncheon at her home here. All the guests were asked to bring their fancy work and spend the entire afternoon, incidentally celebrating Washington's birthday. After several hours spent in stitching and gossiping, coffee and sandwiches were served.

The invited guests were: Misses Susie Colwell, Ella Cooper, Madge and Susia Southedland, Minnie Boone, Lillie and Mabel Carr, Lillie Carter, Jennie and Anna Clement, Pattye Southerland, Jennie Boney, Florence Hughes, Ruth Williams, Mary Lillie and Sue Hussey and Charlie Westbrook.

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STATE LIBRARY WORKERS TO MEET IN GASTONIA, N. C.

The North Carolina Library Association will hold its tenth meeting in Gastonia, April 12 and 13. The library committee of the Women's Betterment Association will be hostess, and members of the association will be guests in private homes.

The principal speakers will be Miss Sarah Askew, organizer for the New Jersey Public Library commission, and Dr. Morris G. Fulton, Davidson College. There will be four sessions, one of which will be devoted to round-table discussion of the problem of college and public libraries.

It is expected that the attendance will be unusually large, especially from the western part of the State. It is probable that representatives of the South Carolina Library Association will be present.

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GRANDAUGHTER OF JACKSON APPOINTED MATRON OR HONOR

Gen. James I. Metts, commander of the North Carolina Confederate Veterans, yesterday announced the appointment of Mrs. E. R. Preston, of Charlotte, a granddaughter of "Stonewall" Jackson, as matron of honor for the North Carolina Division of the United Confederate Veterans at the general reunion which is to be held in Birmingham, Ala., May 16, 17 and 18. General Metts tendered the appointment to Mrs. Preston several days ago and she has signified her acceptance.

Mrs. Preston is well known in Wilmington, having visited for several summers past at Wrightsville Beach, and has a great many friends in this city. General Metts feels that the North Carolina Division of Veterans is honored in having her as its matron of honor at the next reunion.

General Metts several days ago announced the appointment of Miss Alma Nolley, of Fayetteville, who is the daughter of a Confederate veteran, as sponsor for the State Division.

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"NATURAL BABY WEEK" WILL BE OBSERVED IN WILMINGTON

There was an interesting and enthusiastic meeting of the department of Civics and Household Economics of North Carolina Sorosis Friday afternoon at the Sorosis club rooms and it was decided by the Department to carry out the plan outlined by the State Board of Health, assisted by the local health department, for observing "Natural Baby Week." Better babies, better mothers, better homes and a better community, is the slogan. The government at Washington is the directing force of this movement for a nation-wide campaign by which the attention of the United States is to be centered upon the welfare of the baby and its importance to the community.

The purpose of baby week is to give the parents of the community the opportunity to learn how to care for their babies by the best and most scientific method and the need of permanent work for their welfare. This is to be observed from March 4th to 11th, throughout the nation, and Wilmington always to the front in every good movement, desires to do its part for the baby.

There will be prominent speakers at the Hemenway, William Hooper and Cornelius Harnett schools during the week. The names of the speakers will be announced later.

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ST. ANDREW'S BROTHERHOOD TO PRESENT MISS DUNAWAY

The last number of this course, Miss Hettie Jane Dunaway, assisted by Miss Alice Fortin, musical director, in "Just Plain Judy," an adaptation from "Daddy Long Legs," will be given in the Memorial Hall of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church next Saturday night, at 8:30 o'clock.

Miss Dunaway was here last year in the Brotherhood's course and all who saw her will agree that it was a real treat to hear her. The Brotherhood has arranged this return engagement feeling sure that this will be one of the most attractive numbers ever given in Wilmington.

In her costumed programme, "Just Plain Judy", Miss Dunaway has given an added touch of art to readings which even without this added touch are qualified to stand with the most artistic things which the platform has ever seen.

The Brotherhood regrets that this number comes on a Saturday night but this was the only date open for Miss Dunaway and rather than take some substitute, it was decided to accept it.

Single admissions will be on sale with reserved seats at Munson & Co. all day Saturday, March 4th, from 8 A. M. until 6 P. M. Those who hold season tickets are requested to show same when reserving their seats.

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AN APPEAL FOR THE RELIEF OF DESTITUTE IN BELGIUM

Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, president of the Wilmington chapter of the American Red Cross Society, has been appointed as a member of the general advisory board of the North Carolina Commission for Relief in Belgium and Mrs. W. C. Munds has been requested to act as local treasurer for the fund.

Governor Locke Craig has issued a proclamation naming March 17th as Belgium day in order that the attention of the citizens of North Carolina may be the more specifically directed to this relief work. In urging the people of the state to co-operate with the Commission for Relief in Belgium in its efforts to clothe the unfortunates, he asks that each person buy a yard of cloth on this or any other day or give the equivalent thereof in money to be expended in the purchase of clothing for the destitute in that country.

The work is strictly neutral and at the request of President Wilson many of the foremost citizens of the country have accepted membership on the commission, which has been and is now engaged in furnishing clothing for the destitute in Belgium and Northern France with the approval of the civil and military authorities of Germany.

Clothing should be sent to Mrs. Martin in this city, where it will be packed and shipped to Asheville, the headquarters of the State committee of the commission. All funds should be sent to Mrs. W. C. Munds, who is the treasurer of the local branch of the American Red Cross.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. Ernest Jones, of Fairmont, was among yesterday's guests at the Orton.

—Mr. Morrison Formyduvall, of Whiteville, is a guest at the Orton.

—Among yesterday's arrivals at the Orton was Mr. H. Smith, of Monroe, N. C.

—J. L. Barham, Esq., of Goldsboro, was among yesterday's guests at the Orton.

—J. O. Carr, Esq., spent Friday in Jacksonville, N. C., on professional business.

—Mr. F. L. Jerome, of Rose Hill, N. C., was among the late arrivals at the Orton.

—Mr. Wayland Atkinson, of Richmond, Va., is among the late arrivals at the Orton.

—Mr. L. B. Page, of Dunn, was among the guests last night at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. E. King, of Goldsboro, was in the city yesterday, a guest at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. P. M. Williams, of Wallace, is a visitor to the city and is a guest at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Hon. John D. Bellamy has returned from Whiteville, where he attended Superior Court the past week.

—Messrs. L. S. Noll and I. McL. Robinson, of Fayetteville, were registered yesterday at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Friends will be sorry to learn that Mr. J. D. Sidbury is confined to his home, No. 211 Meares street, on account of illness.

—Mr. P. H. Rickett, of Hallsville, was a business visitor in the city yesterday, a guest at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. Joseph Marvin, of Fort Caswell, arrived in Wilmington last night and is registered at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. V. P. Patterson, formerly of this State, now of Spartanburg, S. C., is a visitor in Wilmington and is registered at the Hotel Wilmington.

—Mr. P. E. Seagle, formerly of the High School faculty here, now with a large publishing concern with headquarters in Raleigh, was here yesterday, a guest at the Orton.

—Dr. J. B. Cranmer returned to the city yesterday after having been away for four days attending the Sewenee convention at Chattanooga, Tenn. He also wen to Sewanee University.

—Mr. Walter Wallis, of the Charlotte branch of the Belk chain of stores, has returned to his home after spending some time in Wilmington assisting the launching of the Belk-Williams store in this city.

—North Carolina arrivals at the Orton yesterday included: W. H. Dickinson, Raleigh; B. W. Kenyon, Goldsboro; E. D. Carstarphen, Beaufort; W. E. Schenck, Greensboro; O. T. Teachey and E. M. Hardin, Teacheys; P. E. Seagle, Raleigh; J. Z. Wallace, Charlotte.

LOCAL DOTS.

—All members of the Wesley Bible Class are requested to be present at Grace church this morning promptly at 9:45 a. m. Strangers will receive a warm welcome.

—"Old Timers" night at the Eights' Club Thursday night proved to be a most enjoyable occasion. There was a large attendance of the members of the lodge. The degree team put on a little extra wor kand a collation was served.

—Last night Mr. C. K. Bell stopped his automobile at Second and Princess streets to go into the office of the Jackson & Bell Printing Company for a minute and before he got back to the machine, some one had stolen a lap robe from it.

At Winter Park Methodist.

At Winter Park Methodist church, Rev. J. H. Miller, pastor, there will be preaching this morning at 11 o'clock, and services in the evening at 7:30. In the afternoon services will be conducted at Bethany church at 3:30.

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Demonstration of Gossard Corsets Monday, February 28th, to March 4th, by Miss McClary

Dress Goods and Silk Department

48-inch Plaid and Stripe Serges, yard . . . $1.50
42-inch Shepherd Check Suitings, yd. $1 and $1.50
50-inch All Wool Serges, yard 98c
50-inch Diagonal Suitings, yard 89c

Silks

40-inch Silk Radium Cloth, yard $1.25
40-inch Georgette Crepes, yard . . . $1.50
40-inch Crepe de Chines, yard . . . $1.25, $1.50
36-inch Taffeta Silks, yard . $1, $1.25, $1.50
36-inch Messalines, yd. . 98c
40-inch Silk Poplins, per yard 89c

40-inch Imported Voiles, yard 75c
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New Shirt Waists, now for . . . . $2.50 to $6.50
New Skirts, from $5 to $7.50
Ladies' Crepe Kimonos, from . . . . 98c to $3.00
Ladies' Silk Kimonos, from . . $3.50 to $10.00

Muslin Underwear

Lace and Embroidery Trimmed Skirts, 98c to $1.25
Lace and Embroidery Trimmed Gowns, $1 to $1.50
Ladies' Pants, each, 25c to $1.00
Ladies' Corset Covers, 25c to 75c
Ladies' Silk Camisoles, $1.25 to $1.75
New Line of Hair Goods.

Carpet Department

Curtain Nets, yd . . . 25c, 75c
Curtain Scrim, yd. 10c, 35c
New Crex Rugs, 50c to $10.00
Lace Curtains, . . 85c to $10
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72-inch Linoleum, yd. 90c to $3.50

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JUDGMENT IS POSTPONED.

Following Encounter at Wrestling Match, Mr. Moore Submits.

Following an encounter Friday evening with Mr. W. A. French, Mr. L. T. Moore surrendered himself to Justice George Harriss, who set tomorrow morning for a hearing in the matter. The affair is reported to have followed a disagreement between the two men over the match.

Under the law in this State where a man submits in connection with an assault and battery charge, or following an affray there must be two witnesses sworn to show that no deadly weapon was used and that no serious injury was done. In case the use of such weapon was shown or the fact of serious injury established, the magistrate would only have power to bind over the defendant. For this reason Justice Harriss postponed the adjudication of the case until such witnesses can be subpoenaed and examined.

71 ALLEGED GAMBLERS ARRESTED

Police Make Big Midnight Haul of Colored Citizens.

Shortly before and after midnight last night members of the police department raided two houses and gathered in no less than 17 negroes on charges of gambling. The amounts of money taken from the prisoners when searched at the station, ran from two cents to about $2. The arrests were made by Officers Jacobs, Lee, George, Jordan and Lewis.

The first place raided was a house at Second and Bladen streets, at which place the larger number of the negroes, 13 to be exact, were corraled by the police. It might be said by the superstitiously inclined that their number might have had something to do with the misfortune which later overtook them, but for the fact that a short time later four unlucky alleged gamblers were arrested by the police in a house on Nixon street, between Seventh and Eighth, and no one has ever said that four is an unlucky number.

REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES CALLED.

Will be Held in New Hanover Monday Evening for Naming Delegates.

Elsewhere in today's paper will be found the official call for Republican primaries to be held in this county on Monday evening at the various polling places for the purpose of naming State, Congressional, Judicial and other convention delegates as called for in the Republican plan of organization. The primary for Wilmington township will be in Duls' Hall, 22 South Front street, formerly occupied by Germania Lodge, K. of P. The primaries for the several county districts will be held at the usual voting places on the same date.

TO ISSUE WILMINGTON DIRECTORY

Wilmington to Join With Other Places In This Section.

The merchants of Wilmington will join with other places in this immediate section in the preparation of a "Credit Experience Guide," which is being gotten out by the Mercantile Agency, of Pittsburg, Pa., through their representative, Mr. L. T. Henderson, who is now in this city.

Mr. Henderson states that this system has been adopted in seven states and that the North Carolina Merchants' Association adopted it in October. Raleigh, Goldsboro, Washington, Greenville, Newbern, Kinston, Greensboro, Salisbury and Winston-Salem have already organized under the system, Mr. Henderson states, and are reporting splendid results. He has letters of introduction and endorsements from banks and business houses, where he has already worked.

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SOCIAL

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 26.—Mrs. Thomas W. Lingle, chairman of the Committee of One Hundred Women, was in Raleigh this week conferring with Secretary W. C. Crosby, of the State Bureau of Community Service, relative to the prosecution of the moonlight school work and the establishment of vacation schools for adults which will be undertaken by the committee in co-operation with the State Bureau. The Committee of One Hundred has already been of vast assistance to the campaign to eliminate illiteracy in North Carolina and the members have stirred up enthusiasm in many parts of the State to carry the work on until every man and woman in North Carolina can read and write.

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Faison, N. C., Feb. 26.—The Faison-Hicks Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy is preparing to entertain the district U. D. C., meeting here in April and a pleasing occasion is being looked forward to. The chapter is in a flourishing condition and has recently gained four new members. At a recent meeting Mrs. Marshall Williams and Miss Georgia Hicks, State historian, entertained the chapter and the programme dealing with the reconstruction period in North Carolina was most interesting. The Daughters viewed the portrait of Josiah Turner and expressed high commendation for the zeal which prompted Maj. W. A. Graham to give to posterity the portrait of such a patriot as Josiah Turner.

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Wednesday's Fayetteville Observer. Mrs. Leighton Huske was hostess on yesterday to the Married Women's Tuesday Bridge Club at her home on Haymount. Sixteen club members and guests were present. The club and guests prize, dear little bonnet bags, filled with serving paraphernalia, were won by Mesdames F. H. Stedman and John Underwood. A three-course luncheon was served. Mrs. Huske's guests were: Mesdames E. A. Johnston, of Baltimore, S. H. McRae, J. M. de Vane, J. S. Schenck, John Underwood, S. H. Strange, H. McD. Robinson, Misses Virginia Gibboney, of Wytheville, Va., and Miss Eloise McDiarmid, of Baltimore. Miss Jamie Gibboney, of Wytheville, and Mrs. J. C. McDiarmid were Mrs. Huske's guests after the game.

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Onslow Progress, Jacksonville, N. C.: "Misses Leah and Louise Thompson entertained a number of friends at a card party on Wednesday evening in honor of their attractive guest, Miss Vance Tilghman, of Wilson, N. C. The rooms were attractively decorated with quantities of daffodils. After the games were played there was a contest. Mr. N. E. Day won the prize which was a box of Martha Washington candy presented by Mr. John D. Warlick, after which Mr. Day presented it to Miss Tilghman. Appropriate Washington Anniversary features were carried out in the delicious refreshments.

The young people were entertained on last Thursday evening at the home of Mrs. Male Petteway in honor of her guest, Miss Eula Riggs, of Bayboro, N. C. The evening was pleasantly spent in games and contests, after which delicious refreshments were served.

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HALLSBORO SOCIAL NEWS OF INTERESTING WEEK

Hallsboro, N. C., Feb. 26.—The entertainment recenty given by Hallsboro Graded School was much enjoyed by a large audience. The teachers were in charge and the students acquitted themselves handsomely. Miss Eliza Parker is the principal of the school and Miss Estelle Miller has charge of the music department. They with the other teachers are doing splendid work as was so well demonstarted in the fine programme rendered at the entertainment.

Mrs. Chas. Rankin has returned from an extended visit to friends and relatives in Fayetteville. She was accompanied by her two sisters who will spend some time as her guests here.

Mr. D. B. Clemmons and sister, of Wilmington, were recent visitors and were cordially welcomed by many friends—Miss Doretha Meares was among the visitors to Wilmington during the past week—Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin have returned recently from a brief visit to Wilmington.

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CAROLINIANS IN RICHMOND TO GIVE A DINNER DANCE

Richmond, Va., Feb. 26.—The North Carolina Society of Richmond, which has a membership of several hundred men and women of this city will give a dinner-dance on the evening of Tuesday, March 7, at the Richmond Hotel. This will be the first social affair of the society since the organization amended its by-laws admitting women to membership, and it is planned to make this occasion a very elaborate one in honor of the new members.

Judge Francis D. Winston, of Windsor, N. C., one of the best known and most attractive public speakers of the Tar Heel State, will be the guest of honor, and he will deliver an address that is certain to rekindle the interest and love of the expatriates for their native commonwealth.

The dinner-dance is in charge of the executive committee of the society. The present officers are as follows: Dr. J. Allison Hodges, president; Henry E. Litchford, vice-president; Norman H. Johnson, secretary, and Herbert W. Jackson, treasurer.

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MRS. EUGENE LITTLE STARTS SPLENDID WORK AT MILL

Wadesboro, N. C., Feb. 26.—Mrs. Eugene Little, who is active in many good works, president of the Daughters of the Confederacy, president of the Anson County School eBtterment Association and chief assistant in any good work started in Wadesboro, is just now assisting in the establishing of a "club room, Young Men's and Young Women's Christian Associations, and a general co-operative combination for good work."

The plan is to use the Baptist chapel on Silk Mill Hill during the week days for this young people's work, and on Sundays the building will be used for Sunday school and church services, as heretofore. The plan is to keep the church going seven days a week, instead of just one day. The devil has been keeping his house open seven days and seven nights and this church now intends to meet the devil on equal terms and fight against him for seven days and at least part of seven nights.

Mrs. Little is having the co-operation of the owner of the silk mill, Mr. George Singleton, and through Messrs. Geo. Huntley, T. H. Caudle, and Will Pinkston, the business men of Wadesboro are subscribing to the work in a liberal way.

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BETTER BABIES WEEK TO BE OBSERVED AT WHITEVILLE

Whiteville, N. C., Feb. 26.—The suggestion of the General Federation of Woman's Clubs that March 4th-11th, be observed as "Better Babies' Week" finds response here and the Woman's Club of Whiteville will observe Friday, March 10th, an interesting programme for which has been arranged to be given in the handsome new court house at 2 P. M. All mothers in the community are urged to be present. There will be talk by local physicians and a practical demonstration will be given by a trained nurse as to the proper method of bathing, clothing and feeding the baby. There will be other interesting features also.

Supt. F. T. Wooten is working industriously to make a grand success of county commencemnt day here on April 7th. Hon. T. W. Bickett, of Raleigh, will be the speaker and between 1,500 and 2,000 children are expected to take part. A band will be secured to furnish music and an elaborate programme will be carried out.

Rev. C. J. Thompson, field secretary of the foreign missionary board, and Rev. W. N. Johnson, secretary of the State mission board, wil be at Chadbourn Tuesday night to conduct a mission institute in the Baptist church there. All the churches in the county have been askek by Rev A. H. Porter, the pastor, to be represented at this institute.

A Sunday School institute has been in progress here today and will continue tomorrow at the Whiteville Methodist church. Mr. M. W. Brabham, field secretary, is expected to conduct the institute. Mr. H. C. Moffitt is superintendent of the school and Rev. Chas. M. Lance is pastor of the church.

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Bladen Journal, Clarkton, N. C.: "The Japanese Girl," a classy operetta, will be given by local talent at the Clarkton academy Friday night, March 3rd. The cast consists of 24 beautiful young ladies, attired in the very latest Japanese styles. Twenty-seven musical numbers will be given by the best vocal and instrumental talent the town affords.———Clarkton has the first Parent-Teacher organization in the State. The Parent-Teacher Association of the Clarkton High School was organized in December with the following officers:: Mrs. D. M. Smith, president; Mrs. E. J. Cox, vice-president; Mrs. E. C. Shockley, secretary. The object of the society is for the mutual help and co-operation of parents and teachers.

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Chadbourn Herald: Miss Beatrice Brown, teacher at Clarendon, passed through our town Saturady, en route to Wilmington to spend Sunday with friends, returning Sunday evening.—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Land have returned from Goldsboro, where they went to attend the funeral of Mrs. Land's sister, Mrs. Johnson.—Mr. Alfred Patterson and little daughter, Gwennie, spent Sunday and Monday in Wilmington visiting friends and relatives.—Miss Myrtle Prevatte, spent the week end with her parents near Lumberton, returning Monday night.—Mrs. Edwards and daughter, of Bladen county, spent the week end here with Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis—Dr. J. F. Blake went to Wilmington Tuesday, to carry a patient to the James Walker Memorial Hospital.—Miss Bessie Benton, spent the week end at Hallsboro, the guest of Mrs. M. B. Silkes.

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One of the most brilliant social affairs of the season in Tounsville, N. C., was the Valentine dance given by the bachelor members of the Riverside Country Club. The ballroom was decorated in hearts, cupids and evergreens. The hosts were: Charles Hall Eppes, Victor Eppes Graham, William B. Tarry and L. J. Peoples, Jr. The out-of-town guests were: Miss Bessie Shelton, Buffalo Springs; Miss Gertrude Swain, of Henderson, N. C.; Miss Mary Alexander, of Chase City; Harry Love, Richard Davis Eppes, Robert R. Allen, Sam Graham, Thomas Graham, of Kentucky; Preston Geoghegan, of Chase City; Sterling Hutchinson, of Boydton; John Taylor, Aurelian Springs, N. C.; John Rose, Henderson, N. C.; Emmett Bellamy, Wilmington, N. C. The chaperones were: Mrs. L. J. Peoples and Mrs. George Tarry, and Miss Marie Tarry and Miss Beulah Hall served punch.

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Charlotte Observer: Mrs. T. M. Constable entertained at a delightful bridge party, at her home on East Seventh street, Elizabeth Heights, Tuesday afternoon in honor of Mrs. J. S. Watters, who has recently returned to Charlotte to make her home after an absence of several years spent in Wilmington. The prize for the highest score was won by Mrs. F. C. Pharr, Mrs. B. M. Brothers and Mrs. Watters received the guests of honor prize. Mrs. Constable was assisted in entertaining by her two attractive daughters, Misses Hannah and Caroline Constable. The home was artistically arranged with quantities of spring blossoms and after the game an elaborate two-course lunch was served. Georg Washington favors were given. The guests playing were Mesdames J. S. Watters, I. W. Faison, L. B. Newell, Charles E. Platt, B. M. Brothers, Yates W. Faison, F. C. Pharr, Franklin Fordon, W. L. Moore, R. E. Peters, J. Herbert Howell, Frank M. Shannonhouse, J. S. Wier, W. L. Jenkins, W. W. Robards, Misses Charlee Hutchison, Leonore Seay, Frances Ray, Ruth Shannonhouse and Hannah Constable.

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Morehead City, Feb. 26.—One of the most delightful occasions of the year was the "Old Folks at Home" Valentine party given by Mr. and Mrs. Harry V Webb, at their home on Seventh street. The house was beautifully decorated for the occasion, hearts shot through with Cupid's arrows, being predominant in the decorative scheme. After the arrival of the guests Master Russell Webb dressed as Cupid, with bow and arrow, bearing the tally cards which were little hearts pierced with darts, entered the room and presented one to each guest. Hearts dice was the evening's game, it being entered into with a great deal of zest and vigor and rivalry until the gong sounded for quitting time, when it was found that Mrs. A. H. Webb, Jr., had the highest score and the ladies' first prize, a beautifully crocheted table runner. Mrs. D. G. Bell won the consolation prize, a box of stationery. The gentlemen's first prize, a smoking set, was won by Mr. I. G. Farrow and the booby prize was awarded to Mr. Chas. V. Webb. The presentation of these prizes were made by Mr. Paul Webb and Dr. B. F. Royal in a happy, felicitous manner.

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LOUISBURG COLLEGE GIRLS HEAR PROF. M. H. STACY

Louisburg, N. C., Feb. 26.—The Sea Gift and Neithean Literary Societies of Louisburg College celebrated their 26th anniversary Monday night with an address by Prof. M. H. Stacy, dean of the University of North Carolina.

The theme of Professor Stacy's address was "A Girl's Patriotism," illustrating it very forcibly by giving the story of Esther in modern speech. He made a strong and striking appeal to the young ladies to be true and loyal to their parents and not let a little culture and social position turn their heads. Many of them, the speaker said, were in college at great sacrifice to their parents. If they cannot imprint a tender kiss of true affection upon the cheek of that horny-handed father and tenderly embrace the sacrificing mother, it were better if they had never come to college.

Edwin Malone was master of ceremonies and introduced the speaker.

W. H. Yarborough was asked by the young ladies to follow Professor Stacy and reply to anything he might say in opposition to woman suffrage. However, the speaker did not reveal his attitude on that subject, and Mr. Yarborough championed the cause without being provoked to it.

A reception followed the literary feature, which was the social event of the season.

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THE TABOR GRADED SCHOOLS TO HAVE COMMENCEMENT

Tabor, N. C., Feb. 26.—Members of the graduating class and others are making elaborate arrangements for the annual commencement of the Tabor Graded Schools beginning Friday evening, March 17th. The opening features will be a gymnasium exhibition at 8 o'clock that evening. Other features will be: Sunday morning, March 19th, 11 o'clock, commencement sermon by Dr. Wm. Louis Poteat, of Wake Forest College, the leading Baptist Institution in the South. On Monday morning, March 20th, class day exercises and delivery of diplomas at 11 o'clock at the auditorium, and Monday evening at 8 o'clock literary address by Prof. Clinkscales, of Wofford College, Spartanburg, S. C. Sunday evening, March 19th, 8 o'clock, "Get Together Sermon," by Rev. W. B. Justus, of Jonesville, S. C.

On Friday evening at 8 o'clock, March 3rd, at the school auditorium, the students of the high school will give the play "Savageland," a two-act musical comedy. There are twenty-five in the entirely cast, giving twenty in the chorus. The costumes are elaborate and exquisite and beautiful, songs, catchy and new, humorous dialect with fine comedian work. This play is the biggest thing ever attempted here and the talent is especially strong on the different parts.

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CLUB WOMEN OF WARSAW GIVE WASHINGTON DAY PROGRAMME

Warsaw, N. C., Feb. 26.—The literary department of the Woman's Club entertained the other departments of the club with a George Washington tea on Tuesday afternoon from four till six o'clock, at the residence of Mrs. W. L. Hill. The beautiful home was decorated with American flags for the occasion, these being used extensivelly in the reception room and parlor. The interesting programme was rendered by members of the literary department, and was as follows:

Piano solo—"Columbia," Mrs. C. A. Womack.

Chorus—"America," club.

Reading—"Our First President," Mrs. H. F. Pierce.

"The Spirit of George Washington With Us Today," Mrs. H. L. Stevens.

Vocal solo ,"No Land Like Ours," Mrs. A. O. Moore.

Reading—"Washington as a Young Man," Mrs. Charles Carroll.

Paper, "Washington's Anauguration," Mrs. J. C. Russ.

Piano solo, "Star Spangled Banner," Mrs. D. C. Reams.

Poem, "The Banner That Betsy Made," Mrs. C. A. Womack.

Reading, "Washington a Genius," Mrs. W. L. Hill.

Chorus, "Carolina."

Mrs. Hill, assisted by Mesdames C. A. Womack and C. F. Carroll, served a salad course, cherries being used as a garnish and miniature hatchets and National flags were given as souvenirs.

Rev. J. C. Shives, traveling agent for Davidson College and James Sprunt Institute, was here the past week in the interest of the two schools.

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WILSON WOMEN ARE DOING THINGS: JUST WATCH THEM

Wilson, N. C., Feb. 26.—"Watch out for the Wilson Women," said a leading local politician this week, "when the next municipal election comes. Those women who belong to the Wilson Women's Club are a live proposition and there are nearly two hundred of them and they seem to be a thousand. They have been after the board of commissioners for a whole-time health officer and have been turned down—but they say they propose to get it and they will—you just keep your eye on those women."

The local politician is not far wrong. The women are busy. Their latest announcement is that Wilson is to become a clean town. The alleyways, streets and vacant lotes are being listed and the civiac department under the leadership of Mrs. W. A. Lucas, is a busy department. One of the leading workers of the Wilson Woman's Club said that she had been told by one of the members of the board of commissioners that the women were out of place, and that they should be at home—her reply to the commissioner has not been public—but it is generally understood that she made her position clear.

Wilson women are busy. Their noonday lunches at the graded schools; their earnest efforts along the moonlight school idea, and incidentially they are doing it different—a regular nine-months school is in progres, a building rented and furnished for the purpose. The teachers are volunteers and the money, several hundred dollars, was secured by private subscriptions. Then the same women are pushing the school gardening work and now they are striving to compel the appointment of a whole-time health officer.

Among the active club workers are a large number of the leading women of Wilson. The officers of the club are: President, Mrs. C. L. Coon; vice presidents, Mrs. H. G. Conner, Mrs. John F. Bruton; recording secretary, Mrs. T. W. Chambliss; corresponding secretary, Mrs. A. A. Basye; treasurer, Mrs. R. A. Turlington. The heads of the departments are: Mrs. T. F. Fettus, Mrs. W. A. Lucas, Mrs. Ashe Hines and Mrs. Charles E. Blount.

The club is less than a year old but it full of life and energy and is doing things—and that is attracting the attention of the citizenship, not of Wilson alone but the eastern section of the State.

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PRACTICE COTTAGES IN THE TEACHING OF HOME ECONOMICS

Housekeeping cottages, in which the students obtain actual practice in household work, are a prominent feature of current progress in home economics, according to a report issued by the Department of the Interior through the Bureau of Education.

"The practice house is as distinctly a legitimate part of the equipment for teaching home economics as the sewing machine, ironing board, or individual desk with its cooking utensils," declares the report.

"Home economics departments in schools and colleges are not all so fortunate as to have residence in which to instruct in home management and in house-wifery. There has been some hesitancy among school officers because of the initial expense of a practice house. But as it is recognized that these houses are quite as necessary as are good laboratories and that the maintenance costs are not excessive, more departments are being thus supplied. These houses offer opportunities for experimental studies in household administration, make practice in home furnishing possible, and afford excellent places for studies in nutrition."

The report shows that home economics is now a recognized course of study in all agricultural colleges to which women are admitted. Thirty-one State universities offer regular courses in home economics, and most of the private and denominational colleges and universities now offer similar instruction. So important has the subject become in State public-school systems during the past two or three years that now practically every State normal school has a course in home economics for prospective school teachers.

Summer schools are coming to play an especialy important part in home economics teaching. The Bureau of Education received announcements from 192 schools that were offering courses during the summer of 1914; in 1915 the number reporting had increased to 230, and a still further increase is already assured for 1916.

Twenty-three States report an outline of lessons in home economics for State-wide use. A State manual of study for the public elementary schools of Alabama contains an outline for lessons in cooking and suggestions for the teaching of sewing in the grades, with lists of equipment and references for domestic science teachers in the grades. In California each county or city board of education prescribes its own course of study in home economics. An outline for a course of lessons in home economics has been prepared for the common schools of Illinois. This is made use of particularly in the rural schools. The domestic science section of the high school conference of Illinois has recently completed a comprehensive outline for lessons in the fifth, sixth, seventh, and eighth grades, thus taking an important step in helping to unify the course offered in home economics below the high school.

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SAMPSON COUNTY BANNER IN COMMUNITY SERVICE WORK

Autryville, N. C., Feb. 26.—Five communities in the State have thus far been organized and registered under the plan of the North Carolina Community Service, and four of the five were added to the list last week by the Secretary W. C. Crosby, who personally visited the communities as required and aided in the work. Although, Belvidere, in Perquimans county, was the first in the State to become registered, too others, Salemburg and Autryville, in Sampson county, have already done all necessary except the formality of signing. For this reason Salemburg is registered as No. 1, Autryville as No. 2, Belvidere as No. 3, Ingold, in Sampson county, No. 4, and Laurel Hill, Sampson county, No. 5.

The people of the respective communities are taking hold of the work with a will and on next Saturday evening, March 4th, at Autryville school house, there will be given a play, "Farm Folks," for school betterment purposes. A small admission will be charged and the public is cordially invited to come. Comedy intertwines a pretty love story in the play and it is certain to be most interesting.

The officers, chairmen and secretaries of the committies of communities organized during the week are as follows:

Salemburg—Rev. W. J. Jones, president; V. L. Baggett, vice-president; Miss Bertha Newton, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. W. J. Jones, chairman educational committee; Mrs. O. J. Vann, secretary educational committee; J. A. Turlington, chairman of the farm progress committee; John Holland, secretary farm progress committee; J. E. Cooper, president co-operative marketing committee; L. L. Cooper, chairman farm progress committee; L. L. Cooper, chairman co-operative marketing committee; Dolf. W. Christeson, chairman health committee; Mrs. Jas. Woolard, secretary health committee; Mrs. E. E. McKenzie, chairman organizations and social life committee.

Ingold—W. I. Wright, president; W. B. Lamb, vice-president; R. H. Johnston, secretary-treasurer; W. I. Wright, chairman education committee; Mrs. W. B. Lamb, secretary educational committee; L. F. Greene, chairman co-operative marketing committee; Mrs. A. J. Johnson, secretary co-operative marketing committee; Dr. D. B. Sloane, chairman health committee; Mrs Henry Sloane, secretary health committee; Mrs. A. J. Johnson, chairman organizations and social life committee; Mrs. E. C. Johnson, secretary organizations and social life committee.

Laurel Hill—Mrs. I. C. Robinson, president; C. R. Pearson, vice-president; Mrs. L. F. Alderman, secretary-treasurer; J. W. Pearson, chairman educational committee; D. A. Williamson, secretary educational committee; S. A. Summerlin, chairman farm progress committee; J. M. Pearson, secretary farm progress committee; Leondias Pearson, chairman co-operative marketing committee; J. B. Merritt, secretary co-operative marketing committee; Miss Rena Alderman, chairman health committee; Miss Addie Talton, secretary health committee; Miss Bethel Pearson, chairman organizations and social life committee; Miss Corabell Peterson, secretary organizations and social life committee.

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Try An Oyster Roast
at Lumina today. Cars to the beach every half hour this afternoon.
(Advertisement.)

NEWEST BUDS OF WASHINGTON SOCIETY.

The debut of these girls this winter in Washington society proves that the social affairs at the capital this winter have beauty to grace them.

Sterchi-Bancroft Co., FURNITURE! That's What

THIS WILL BE STOVE WEEK

For this week we will sell a large 460 Pound Cast Range, 6-Eye Top, Warming Closet, and set up in your kitchen at $35.00; One Dollar Down and One Dollar Per Week. This Range Burns Wood or Coal and is Guaranteed to Give Satisfaction. We will also sell a Three-Quarter Size Range at $25.00; $1.00 down and $1.00 per week. This Stove is a good one and large enough for a medium sized family. Also we carry a good No. 8 Cook Stove from $12.00 to $17.00. Oil Stoves in 2, 3 and 4 Burners. The Blue Enamel Blue Blaze. There has been great improvement made in oil stoves, and ours are the very latest. Come in and let us show you them.

See us for Bed Room Furniture, Mahogany, Circassian, Old Ivory and Walnut. We are continuing our low prices. But we, as well as other merchants, will have to pay more, so if you buy now you will save money.

Our Line is More Complete Than it Has Ever Been, and We Will Appreciate a Call, Whether You Buy or Not.

Sterchi-Bancroft Co., FURNITURE! That's What

BENEFIT BAZAAR THIS WEEK

Big Event For Relief of European War Sufferers Opens in Woolvin Hall Wednesday Night.

The time for the opening of the Big Bazaar for the relief of European war sufferers is near at hand.

On Wednesday evening, March 1st, at 8 o'clock, the Bazaar will be formally opened to the public by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, and will remain open during the afternoon and evening of Thursday and Friday, beginning each day at the noon hour.

The Bazaar cafe will be equipped to furnish lunches and suppers of dishes wholesomely prepared and daintly served at moderate prices. Business men and shoppers are especially invited to patronize this feature during the lunch hour. Lighter refreshments may be had at the Ice Cream Parlor.

The many booths will be tastefully decorated and stocked with a large and pleasing variety of articles for sale. The committees report many large donations, among them some from totally unexpected sources. One firm in New York sent a quantity of household supplies, and a check for $25 was received from Sumter, S. C. A grower in Sanford, Fla., writes that he will send a few crates of celery in time for the opening of the Bazaar.

Much interest has also been manifested among the residents of Southport, who have announced that a concert will be given at that place on Monday night, the proceeds of which will be turned over to the treasurer of the Bazaar, as also the proceeds of a moving picture benefit recently held at their local theatre.

It is expected that quite a delegation from Southport will visit the Bazaar, and will come like the "Greeks bearing gifts."

Col. and Mrs. Stride, of Southport, have displayed unflagging interest in this movement and have been foremost in the activities planned in support of the big Bazaar. A set of old and rare English Sporting Prints donated by Col. Stride will be placed on sale at one of the booths.

Everywhere may be found a willingness on the part of the American people to pay back a tithe of the gold which has come to them, moistened with the tears and blood of Europe's suffering humanity. Helpless, almost hopeless, bewildered by the cruel forces which have overwhelmed them, they stand amid wrecked homes and barren fields thankful for the dole of food and clothing from allen hands.

Belgian mothers are fashioning for their children dresses and undergarments out of the empty flour sacks obtained for the relief committee. These sacks bear the imprint of American flour mills. Famous for their skill in needlework, the women embroider these coarse garments in fanciful design, employing most frequently the American flag, surrounded with sentiments of gratitude for the supplies sent them by the people who dwell in this favored land.

To the credit of America, the work of relief goes steadily on through the agency of Bazaars, organized societies and relief committees.

Brunswick Store Burned.

Southport News: "The store owned by Geo. E. and J. W. Brooks and managed by B. K. Gore, near Regan, was burned early Sunday morning. The origin of the fire is unknown to us. They carried a stock of goods valued at about $2,000, partly covered by insurance. The building was owned by Mr. W. A. Long.

SHRIER & SOLOMON

MEN'S SHIRT DEPARTMENT

"Preparedness" For Spring

You will be greatly interested to know that the Men's Shirt Department is now prepared to supply your Spring needs.

WE HAVE ALL PRICES

50cts. to $5.00

Earl & Wilson Shirts, Manhattan Shirts, Lion Brand Shirts, Mattawan Shirts, Jack Rabbit Shirts.

Shrier & Solomon

GRAND BAZAAR

Woolvin Hall, on Princess Street, March 1, 2 and 3.
Splendid Cafe Service. Moderate Charges.
Attractive Booths.
AND MANY NOVEL FEATURES.
Admission Free

Under the auspices of the United Society of St. George and St. Andrew for the aid of war sufferers in Belgium, Servia and Poland.

SAYS PROHIBITION HAS BEEN GOOD FOR STATE

Governor Craig Replies to the Christian Endeavor Union.

Craig to Hear Warren Case by March 20—Wilmington and Other Corporations Chartered—Junior Order Day Proclaimed.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 26.—Writing in answer to an inquiry from the United Society of Christian Endeavor, Governor Craig today wrote of the operation of prohibition in North Carolina:

"Prohibition in North Carolina has done much good, conducing to the economic, moral and intellectual development of the State. There is no disposition to return to the license system."

There is to be a hearing before Governor Craig on or before March 20 in the case of the pending petitions for commutation of the death sentences against Ida Ball Warren and Samuel P. Christy, under sentence to die in the electric chair March 31 for the murder of G. J. Warren, husband of the condemned woman. Governor Craig wrote Judge E. B. Jones, of counsel for the defense, today requesting him to arrange for the hearing to take place as indicated. The reason stated by the Governor for his spurring up the proceeding was, as he expressed it: "It seems to me that these defendants should be allowed time for preparation after the final hearing in the event my decision should be averse to commutation." The Governor added that the letter was not to be taken as any indication as to what his final decision in the case will be.

New Wilmington Corporation.

Charter swere issued today to the following new corporations:

The Howard-Wells Amusement Co., Wilmington, capital $100,000 authorized and $900 subscribed for taking over three moving picture theatres, the Royal, the Grand and the Victoria. The charter specifies that no officer shall be paid an annual salary of more than $2,500. The incorporators are James Howard, W. F. Jones, A. O. Schuster and Carl B. Rehder.

The Catawba Sweet Potato Growers' Association, capital $2,000 authorized $85 subscribed in $5 shares by H C. Shuford, C. M. Yoder and others for general co-operative marketing, the office to be in Hickory and the corporation to handle farm and truck products generally.

The Southern Marble Works, Dunn, Harnett county, capital $10,000 authorized and $2,500 subscribed by P. S. Cooper, W. O. Johnson and others.

The charter of the Baden Realty Co., of Baden, is amended so as to change the home office from Baden to Goldsboro.

Junior Order Day Proclaimed.

State Councilor W. A. Cooper, of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, issued a proclamation today calling on the members of the order in this State to observe Friday, April 7, as Junior Order Day, to be observed especially as Service Day when the Junior Order men are to do service for others. The State Councilor says of the proposed observance:

"Our principles can in no other way be so well demonstrated as when we are doing something that will brighten and better the life of some one else, when we give a joy to replace a sorrow, a smile to take the place of a frown, encourage the discouraged and smooth the roughened way of a weary, worn traveler, and turn sad thoughts to those of joy and happiness, and be eyes to the blind, feet to the lame, father to the poor and cause the widow's heart to sing for joy."

RED CROSS IN FRANCE IS DOING GREAT WORK

Over Sixty Thousand Women Engaged in Service.

Have Equipped 1,500 Hospitals, There Being 288 Building in Paris Alone. Many Nurses Have Lost Their Lives.

(Correspondence of Associated Press.)

Paris, Jan. 30.—There are now 66,449 women in the French Red Cross volunteer army, equipping 1,500 hospitals with an aggregate of 118,000 beds. The Red Cross flag now flies over 288 buildings in Paris alone.

The society for aid to wounded soldiers, the largest of the three Red Cross organizations and the originator of the work in France in 1864, spent thirty-two million francs during the first 17 months of the war. The society has operated 796 hospitals, consisting 67,081 beds, and given a total of 21 million days to wounded soldiers. Besides these hospitals, the society maintains a hospital of 500 beds at Saloniki, 93 refugees established in the 6th and 20th military regions in France, 70 infirmaries in railroad stations and 45 railroad canteens.

The cost of maintenance of hospitals varies so much that it is difficult to establish the average cost per capita per diem, but as near as can be calculated this society has brought its cost down to a little over three francs a day.

The Union des Femmes de France, the second in importance of the Red Cross Societies has now 28,446 nurses, equipping 355 hospitals, with 29,000 beds, while the Association des Dames Francaaises has 16,000 nurses, in 350 hospitals, with 22,000 beds.

The mortality among the Red Cross nurses has been remarkably heavy considering the character of their work and the immunity they are supposed to enjoy under the international regulations. Twenty-two members of the Society for Aid to the Wounded Soldiers have given their lives to the cause, some of them killed under shell fire, others carried off by contagious diseases. The nurses of this society have received 63 epidemic medals, 60 war crosses and one cross of the Legion of Honor. The first Red Cross victim of the war was Mademoiselle Susanne Gilles, who fell at Luneville with her chest torn by the fragments of a shell that burst inside the hospital ward where she was attending wounded. The next was Mademoiselle Cagnard at Cambrai, who is declared to have been shot point blank by a Prussian soldier firing into the hospital through the window. During the bombardment of Rheims seven women of the Red Cross became victims of the bombardment, including Madame Fontaine-Faudier, Mademoiselle Causse and five sisters of charity.

Regarding the state of mind of wounded soldiers now in the hospitals after 16 months of war, Madame Perouse, president of the Union des Femmes de France, says: "They support their suffering admirably and are much more anxious to return to the front than were the wounded in the hospitals last year at this time. They talk about active service with an enthusiasm that is contagious."

Monsieur Justin Godart, under-secretary for war, in charge of the sanitary department of the army, has just replaced the society women of the Red Cross serving as nurses in some of the military hospitals by paid independent nurses. The choice of nurses outside the three Red Cross organizations developed considerable comment, but there was in this no reflection on the devotion of Red Cross nurses; neither does it bring their efficiency into question. Paid, trained nurses are more adaptable to military discipline which must prevail in all military establishments.

FAYETTEVILLE HEARS DR. N. W. WALKER SPEAK

Ex-Governor Patterson and Dr. Swadener Also Heard

Farm Life School for Cumberland Probable—Children Bitten by Poodle Dog — Visiting Nurse Employed.

(By Asa Biggs.)

Fayetteville, N. C., Feb. 26.—State Inspector of High Schools N. W. Walker is in Fayetteville attending the association of county teachers which opened up here yesterday for a two-day session. Dr. Walker's visit here is believed to be the forerunner of an active campaign for a farm life school. The meeting of the teachers yesterday was devoted to short talks by several of the principals of the county schools and to a discussion of the plans for the county commencement to be held here soon.

At the meeting last night, Dr. Walker gave an illustrated lecture on the farm life schools in Craven county, the Wakelon high school in Wake county and others in this State. The slides were from actual photographs taken at these schools and showed ideal farm life conditions of the surrounding country as compared with those of sections which have no farm life schools. Dr. Walker inspected the school at Stedman yesterday and also the Eastover school, reporting that they were in fine condition.

Ex-Governor Patterson Heard.

Dr. Madison Swadener and ex-Governor Malcolm Patterson, of Tennessee, spoke here to about five hundred people in the Hay Street Methodist church last night. The addresses of both of the speakers were well delivered and thoroughly appreciated by the local audience.

Ex-Governor Patterson, it will be remembered, created quite a sensation in Tennessee when he was governor of that state by pardoning Cooper, who killed Editor Carmack, of the Tennessean, a newspaper making a fight for prohibition. Ex-Governor Patterson, at that time, opposed prohibition. He has since been converted and is now out lecturing in behalf of national prohibition.

The ex-governor told The Star correspondent this morning that he believed he was a fairly broad-minded man. "You see," he said, "I was brought up in a Catholic institution, received a degree from a Methodist college, married a Baptist woman, and then later joined the Presbytern church."

Charlie Muse, charged with burning a house near Hope Mills, and who was being held in jail here and escaped a few days ago with two other prisoners, was captured yesterday by Deputy Sheriff Moore near Jackson Springs. He was brought to Fayetteville and placed in the county jail to await trial at the next term of Superior court.

Poodle Bites Three Children.

A poodle dog, evidently mad, terrorized the residential section of Dick street yesterday evening when it bit three children before Policeman Hatch could induce the dog to give away to a heavy bombardment of lead. The head of the dog was taken by Dr. J. W. McNeill, who sent it on the night train to Raleigh for an examination to determine whether or not the dog had rabies.

Another series of robberies has broken out in this section. Last night the store of E. J. Godwin, Godwin's station, was entered and a number of articles taken, among them a razor, suit case and some pocket knives. No clue to the robbers could be had.

Dr. Frances Bradley, who is in charge of the government health bureau here in an attempt to lower the death rate among infants, told The Star correspondent this morning that she had been guaranteed the hearty support of the school teachers of this county.

"We will begin to hold meetings in different sections of the county after March 15," she said.

LINING UP FOR CAMPAIGN

Brunswick Republicans Meet and Elect Delegates to Convention. May Save Steamer.

Southport, N. C., Feb. 26.—The Republicans of Brunswick county met at Supply at noon today in convention to elect delegates to State, Congressional, Judicial and Senatorial conventions, all townships being represented except one.

C. Ed. Taylor was permanent chairman and Elijah H. Smith was permanent secretary. The attendance was larger than usual at conventions merely for the naming of delegates. The following were appointed delegates to the State convention in Raleigh next week: C. Ed. Taylor, J. J. Knox, R. W. Davis, J. F. Somersett, Geo. E. Brooks, W. H. Walker, John Jenerette and F. P. White.

There was a meeting after the convention at which the county organization for the ensuing two years was perfected. Several precincts reported the names of their committeemen.

Mr. John Flynn, of Camden, N. J., arrived here tonight. He is commodore of the fleet of steamers of which the steamer aground off the bar here is a member. They expect to make an investigation of the wreck tomorrow and see what is best to be done. Reports tonight say the steamer is in no more immediate danger. She is full of water, but the wind is subsiding.

WOMAN AND BANKING

It Establishes Feeling of Responsibility and Freedom, Says Writer.

"Whether it be large or small, a bank acount establishes a feeling of responsibility and freedom in a woman," said Miss Sara Evans, who is in charge of the women's department of a New York bank, which, like many similar institutions in that and other cities, maintains a complete banking room solely for women.

"In the old days," continued Miss Evans, "it was a man's duty to sign all the checks. And a very important proceeding he made of it! That has now passed with other customs of long ago. The woman manages the home, and is supposed to be able to figure so that a certain sum of money may keep the establishment going for a certain length of time. No doubt each woman has her own system; but there should be one basic rule for all—pay by check.

"There are many reasons why she should pay by check. It is more businesslike. A check is a receipt—no other is needed. A check book is an incontestable record. A check is safe.

"The progress of women has never been as marked as at the present day. Thoroughly to establish not only her business sense, but her comfort, her responsibility and her independence, she must maintain her own bank account. In my experience, I find the majority of women know very little about banking, even though they may be starting a business; that is, unless they have some training in an office where they have come in contact with banking.

"The first thing a woman ought to know is never to write a check in a hurry; never to say, 'Well, I'll put this down in my book next week.' The second thing is to be careful in her calculations, and not to have erasures and figures crossed out, or scratched out of her bank book. In other words, care and precision are necessary.

"Another thing she must remember is that when there is a difference between her account and the bank, the bank should be given the chance to look the matter up. The bank is apt to be in the right, as the bank clerks are experts; yet, if they are wrong, they are always willing to acknowledge their mistake.

"These points cover the technical side. The next thing is to be careful not to make overdrafts.

"Women do not always realize the importance of banking matters. Banking is a matter of exactitude. There is no 'hidden mystery' about it; it is a plain and simple transaction, on the same idea as a definite letter. Nothing can be nearly right; either it is right or it is not.

"Where I went to school in Massachusetts, a banking department was carried out in the school, and we were taught to understand it by depositing our allowances and then drawing against them as in the regular bank. In Miss Spence's school in New York girls are taught to attend to banking matters and to keep a check book in order, as part of their course in mathematics.

"Bank acounts really help women to overcome a wrong sense of values, an erratic sense of saving, and the 'make money easily spend money easily' attitude. This is the banking side; the 'do and don't of investment is another question."

OLD FIRM OPENS STORE.

Many Visit Gaylord's New Establishment on Front Street.

Several hundred persons visited the new establishment opened by Mr. George O. Gaylord on North Front street for the sale of millinery and ladies' and children's clothing, in the store formerly occupied by the Fleet-Davis Company.

The interior of the store was prettily decorated for the occasion and large stocks of millinery and ladies' and children's clothing were attractively displayed. The millinery department of the store, which will be one of its most important features, will have for its head, Miss Alma Brown. Mr. Gaylord has for a number of years been actively identified with the mercantile life of the city, and spent a busy day greeting old patrons and new visitors at the new store.

Mrs. Mack Davis has been elected district nurse for Fayetteville. The election was held last night at a conference between local physicians. She will enter on her duties as visiting nurse for Fayetteville the first of March.

A State motorcycle race tournament is staged for Fayetteville in the near future, according to a statement made yesterday afternoon by a local salesman. An attempt will be made to have a representation here from Wilmington, Raleigh and other large cities of the State.

UNITED STATES custom house, Wilmington, N. C., Office of Custodian, Feb. 19, 1916.—Sealed proposals will be received at this building until 2 o'clock P. M., March 6, 1916, and then opened, for furnishing heat, light and water, ice, and miscellaneous supplies, and washing towels, during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1917. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved by the Treasury Department. Walker Taylor, Custodian.

1816 EASTER LATEST SINCE 1866

Easter Sunday comes the latest this year that it has fallen since 1866, when the date was April 25. This year it is April 23. It will not come so late again until 1943, when it falls again on April 25.

The 25th of April is the latest possible date for Easter, and March 22 the earliest. It will not fall on March 22 this century, the closest to that date having been in 1913; when March 23 was Easter Sunday.

The custom of sending Easter Greeting Cards is extending each year; a fact that is natural, when it is remembered that this is the least expensive and most delicate means of conveying our share in the sum total of Easter happiness.

While ready made cards for this occasion are offered for sale at many places; these are not so much in demand now as those which are specially engraved. Cards for "Easter Greeting" should express one's individual taste, and this can only be accomplished through the medium of a card engraved in accordance with your own taste in arrangement and artistic effect.

The most satisfactory results can be obtained by consulting the J. P. Stevens Engraving Co., 47 Whitehall St., Atlanta, who will send samples of the very latest style—send today, so that the work can be made up for you in ample time.

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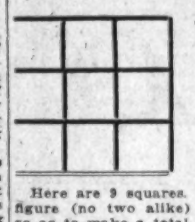

WIN A LOT

Here are 9 squares. Can you put a figure (no two alike) in each square so as to make a total of 15 by adding them up and down and crossways. As an advertisement, we will give a building lot 25x145 ft. at Atlantic City, Md., which has one of the finest beaches in the world, to anyone solving this puzzle. Send your solution with 4c in postage for copy of prospectus to

THE ATLANTIC REALTY CO.,
200 North Calvert Street, Baltimore, Md.

EXPLAINS WHY MEN ARE GROWING BALD

Thousands of men are growing bald every day and don't know the reason why. Many of them never expect to save even what hair is left.

This is indeed a pity, says a hair specialist, who claims that baldness usually comes from carelessness and that anyone who gives the hair just a little occasional attention should always have an abundance of good healthy hair. Dust and dirt help to cause baldness by clogging the pores in the scalp and giving the germs of dandruff fertile ground for prolific breeding.

The treatment is very simple; wash out the dust and dirt with any pure soap at least once in ten days and destroy the dandruff germs by applying every other night Parisian Sage, a delightfully efficient preparation that hundreds of druggists recommend as the surest treatment to stop hair from falling, to remove dandruff and to refresh and invigorate the hair roots.

Of course, like all successful discoveries, Parisian Sage has been greatly flattered by imitations which makes it necessary to ask for it by name. The cost of a generous bottle is very little, and to supply the steady demand. Rob't R. Bellamy always have an abundant supply on hand.

CURED OF PELLAGRA; WOMAN IS SO HAPPY

Ratliff, Miss.—Ida Creel, of this place, writes: "I am enjoying fine health, better than I have in years. My weight is 116; when I began taking your treatment it was 98. I sure can praise your treatment; can eat anything I want and it don't seem to hurt me."

There is no longer any doubt that pellagra can be cured. Don't delay until it is too late. It is your duty to consult the resourceful Baughn.

The symptoms—hands red like sunburn, skin peeling off, sore mouth, the lips, throat and tongue a flaming red, with much mucus and choking; indigestion and nausea, either diarrhoea or constipation.

There is hope; get Baughn's big Free book on Pellagra and learn about the remedy for Pellagra that has at last been found. Address American Compounding Co., box 2097, Jasper, Ala., remembering money is refunded in any case where the remedy fails to cure.—Adv.

GO RIGHT AT IT

Friends and Neighbors in Wilmington Will Show You a Way.

Get at the root of the trouble.

Rubbing an aching back may relieve it,

But won't cure it if the kidneys are weak.

You must reach the root of it—the kidneys.

Doan's Kidney Pills go right at it;

Reach the cause; attack the pain.

Are recommended by many Wilmington people.

J. O. Bullard, policeman, 807 Bladen St., Wilmington, says: "I was down for five weeks with lumbago. I couldn't do anything, and I was never in such a bad fix in all my life. I thought the pain would nearly kill me. My kidneys were very sluggish and I felt pretty bad all over. I doctored and did everything I could think of, but got no relief until I used Doan's Kidney Pills. I never saw anything that acted as quickly as they did. After I had taken about one box, I felt as though I had never had anything wrong with my kidneys. My back and kidneys have not caused me a bit of trouble since."

Price 50c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy — get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mr. Bullard had. Foster-Milburn Co., Props., Buffalo, N. Y.

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PAY AS YOU RIDE

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you pay for a piano, or real estate.
get the full benefit of motoring, and
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An automobile today is a necessity. It no longer represents an expenditure that only a few can afford.

And I don't see why a necessity should not be sold on a basis that will appeal to even the man of moderate means.

An enormous factory production of 100,000 Maxwells this year, 1916, makes possible a price of $655 for this beautiful, powerful, dependable, completely-equipped Maxwell automobile.

On my "Pay-As-You-Ride" plan, this $635 can be paid as you use the car. It is a simple, liberal plan that you will appreciate.

Let me tell you more about it.

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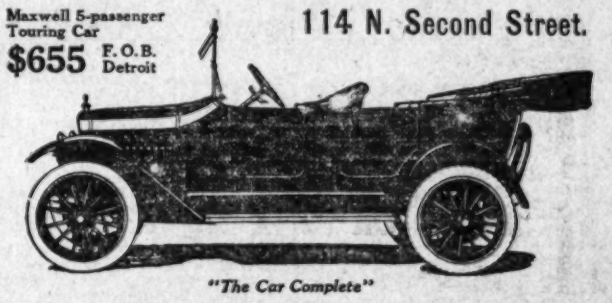
$655 F.O.B. Detroit



"The Car Complete"

DAVID'S

Spring Styles Ready

IT'S always a pleasure to us to announce the opening of a new season in men's styles. So many of our customers take a lively interest in seeing the new fabrics; the new designs in the garments; the new fashions; we're always glad when things are ready.

Hart Schaffner & Marx new spring styles are here; special values in suits at $20.00, $22.50, $25.00 and upward.

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The home of Hart Schaffner & Marx Clothes.

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Our Framing Department is Now Open. Our line of Moulding is the Prettiest That Has Ever Been Shown in the City, and

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3 Saw Mills.	5 Iron Water Tanks.
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2 Boilers and Engines on wheels.	500 Valves.
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Call early and you will not regret if it is made of Iron, Steel, Brass Copper or other metals.

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INTERBOROUGH RAPID TRANSIT CO.
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Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars
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J.P. MORGAN
T. P. SHONTS.

Here are photographs of the checks for $500,000 given by T. P. Shonts, president of the street railroad system of New York, to J. P. Morgan & Company, which have been unearthed in the legislative investigation of the deal. Morgan & Company agreed for the Interborough Company to furnish $100,000,000, if that company got from New York City the contract to build new subways. Something of a sensation had been created by the discoveries of the committee. The Morgan firm and the Interborough officials maintain it was a fair and legitimate transaction.

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HAVING, during our extensive experience in the real estate business in Wilmington, had repeated calls from our clients for small home tracts, located near the city, with sufficient ground for gardening, trucking, poultry raising or home dairying, we have at last secured for a high-class development of just this kind, that elegantly situated tract of land known as

THE COLON E. KERR FARM

Lying just one mile from the city limits, on that beautiful and much traveled highway leading through the County's Finest Agricultural Section to Castle Haynes and Northward.

This splendid property, part of which was already under a high state of cultivation, has been vastly improved; new ground cleared off, the tract tiled and drained where such improvement was not already provided by nature, a splendid 40-foot avenue, graded and built from the turnpike, entirely through the property, three-fourths of a mile to the Northeast river, and the whole subdivided, at large outlay, into desirable

Read What
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Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 19, 1916

Mr. D. R. FOSTER,
Wilmington, N. C.

Dear Mr. Foster:

In answer to your inquiry as to the productiveness and type of soil of Mr. C. E. Kerr's farm, I would say that I have visited Mr. Kerr's farm and seen growing Lettuce, Beans, Potatoes, Cucumbers, Cantaloupes, and other truck crops. These crops were as fine as any other farmers' in the county. Some of this land is under a high state of cultivation and some undeveloped, but all capable of being brought up to a high degree of fertility. This land is of two types--Norfolk and Portsmouth--for the most part of the Norfolk type. This land lies in the best general farming district of our section.

The good homes and prosperous farmers in this section proves this statement.

Yours truly,
J. P. HERRING,
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Our automobiles at your service and accommodating salesmen to show you.

D. R. FOSTER & COMPANY

112 Princess Street — "WE SELL THE EARTH" — 'Phone 1220

Mostly Silk Are Spring's Afternoon Frocks

Black Velvet Ribbon Gives Peculiar Individuality to this White Taffeta Model

Georgette Crepe and Chiffon Broadcloth with Full Skirt on Hair Lace Foundation

The New Frock Must have Two Fabrics-Gray Taffeta and Chiffon with a Touch of White Lace are Pictured Here

Corded Frills of Black Satin

Watteau, Directoire, Empire and Victorian Fashions Jumbled to Make Spring Modes - Elaborate Trimmings - Transparent and Untransparent Silks in the New Frock.

THE couturiers seem to have borrowed recklessly from period after period of history to achieve the modes of the moment. It is a curious but altogether fascinating hodge-podge of styles and who can say, at this stage, what will prevail? There is a hint of the stately Directoire in redingotes and hats; a soupcon of Victorian demureness in some of the little gray gowns of spring; lovely Watteau effects in dance frocks, dashing and coquettish reminders of costume ideals of the beautiful Eugenie when as Empress, she set the styles of Europe. The couturiers, themselves, seem to be at odds. Lanvin has become enamored of the flamboyant Spanish type and her Spanish dance frocks are positively thrilling in their splendor of color with artful subduing of black tulle and lace. Poiret, again the self-appointed apostle of the mode and an important factor in the fashions of spring, is all for Breton peasant effects—effects of fifty years ago rather than now when even the folk of Britfany are spoiling their picturesque dress with modern innovations in the way of ready-made raiment from the shops. Worth insists upon drapery, lifted high at the hips; Callot makes all draperies take the long lines advocated by this house. Premet and Jenny follow the wind of the mode as it bloweth. Their frocks are always chic and always charming, replete with originality and that prettiness that appeals to the feminine soul, but lacking in the subtler meanings and purposes which more serious couturiers sometimes try to incorporate in their creations.

Silk For the Spring Frock.

There is a reason apart from caprice of the mode, which makes silk woven materials so exclusively fashionable this spring. Paris can get silk a-plenty—and she cannot get much else; so perforce, silk a-plenty goes into the new frocks. Almost all the silk mills are busy, for the war has not invaded their territory; but fine cotton-woven stuffs and worsted-woven stuffs are scarce and the couturiers have compromised with necessity by making tailored suits half wool and half silk, and adding bands of cloth, here and there, to chiffon frocks—just to strike an even balance.

Silks in Paris mean silks here; so the spring afternoon frock is of silk. And after all, what else should a dainty spring afternoon frock be made of? When once silk is used by itself, elaborate trimming in the way of ruching, cording, piping or crosswise arrangement of the silk pattern gives the desired suggestion of gaiety—for all frocks are gay now and winsome and coquettish! When two fabrics are combined lines may be simpler; but the motto of fashion this spring seems to be "Variety" anything like plainness must be sedulously avoided.

"Show through" effects are the very keynote of the moment's mode. Sheer bodices of chiffon and net are imposed on underbodices laid in tucks or trimmed with metallic lace or velvet ribbon appliqued in the dignified Greek key pattern. Skirts of chiffon have ruffles or flat bands of silk placed close together from hem to belt. This horizontal trimming of the skirt is perhaps the most characteristic note of the 1916 spring. The effect will undoubtedly be overdone because it is an effect so easily copied in all materials; but in its novelty just now, it is charming.

Both Skirts and Sleeves Are Stiffened.

It is by the contrasted effect of softly draping and crisply flaring materials that Paris achieves inimitable chic this spring. For example, if a skirt flares widely, sleeves that droop limply lend the note of contrast. Sometimes a stiffly interlined tunic flares over a skirt of soft folds. In an otherwise crisp frock draped revers or a soft sash-end may furnish the contrasting note of grace. Though the spring frocks are elaborately stiffened underneath they present no suggestion of rigidity or harsh lines. This is partly due to the soft silks, chiffons and laces used in their make up and partly to the clever way they are stiffened underneath.

The bouffant styles of the season require a stiffening or "supporting" material of some kind. A very popular one is a sort of hair lace, sheer, light and flexible, yet the frock draped over it keeps its smart flare no matter how it is crushed into taxi or the narrow space of theatre boxes. A facing of this in light weight runs from hem to knee in the pictured frock of white satin, with a quaint corded basque finishing in a pleated peplum. This peplum is faced with the light hair lace also, and so is the edge of the bell sleeve. A note of softness is introduced by loose undersleeve of chiffon, the folds of chiffon in the square decolletage and the bow of black picot-edged ribbon which trails down the skirt.

The close ruche of pinked out white taffeta helps to hold the skirt in distended lines but it is the fabric facing, from the hem to the silk ruche which really gives the skirt its smart silhouette. The black ribbon around the skirt adds a smartly contrasting note and also serves to cover the line of stitching which attaches the facing underneath. This black ribbon appears again over the folds of chiffon in the decolletage. There are many quaint, old-timey features in this frock; the piped armhole and waistline, the little pleated basque—a detail appearing frequently in spring frocks—the bell sleeve with loose undersleeve, the square-cut decolletage and the pinked out silk ruche. This ruche of white taffeta is a surprising trimming on a frock otherwise entirely of satin; but doubtless Fashion, determined to have a lustrous white satin frock, remembered that satin cannot be pinked successfully, so added the pinked ruche she must have in a material less likely to betray raveling edges.

Nuns Tucks Added, Not Hemmed In.

Another frock that has the charm of quaintness is a model of Georgette crepe with graduated nuns tucks of chiffon broadcloth on skirt and undersleeve. These tucks are not really tucks at all, but by courtesy of the mode they have been given that name since they resemble real nuns tucks—put in by hand—so closely. In this case the deep and narrow "tucks" are doubled strips of cloth attached to a Georgette crepe skirt by fine machine stitching, the bands growing narrower toward the top of the skirt. In the three lower bands are facings of the lightest stiffening, hair lace—just enough stiffening to make the skirt stand out properly—while the upper "tucks" fall softly with the folds of the crepe skirt, gathered into a waistband.

The bodice with its square decolletage suggests the peasant style. Under it is a guimpe of the crepe with very smart sleeves and collar trimmed with stitched bands of cloth. Both crepe and cloth are in the very palest tint of gray, scarcely deeper than oyster white. Notice here again, the little pleated frill at the waistline. You cannot go amiss if you add this little frill to the bodice of your spring frock.

Gray, also, but a deeper gray in tone, is the frock combining taffeta and chiffon, with draped revers of lace to add the fairy-like touch that white lace always adds to gray. This frock is light smoke-gray in shade, but the chiffon of the bodice seems to take a lighter tone because it is mounted over flesh pink—satin under the bodice itself to the armpits, then flesh pink chiffon under shoulders and sleeves. Bands of the taffeta are stitched across the chiffon bodice, and on the chiffon underskirt; a deep band of the chiffon is set in the overskirt of taffeta. The sleeve, gathered to a low armhole and into a deep cuff, is typical of the wide silhouette of sleeves in general now. Some alarmists are prophesying that we shall soon have with us again the awful balloon sleeve of 1894 and 1895 which was lined with buckram and took three yards of material to make.

In this White Satin Frock Pinked Pleating, Piping, and a Bell Sleeve are Quaint Features of Long Ago

The Low Shoulder Line of 1830.

There are several 1830 features in a black and white frock which comes from Premet, notably the off-the-shoulder line suggested here by a deep bertha of black velvet. Evening gowns of the '30s fell off the shoulder in precisely this fashion; in fact the line of the decolletage followed the upper edge of this black velvet bertha and one feels there was not much choice in the way of modesty between the 1830 evening bodice and the model of today over which some individuals are making such a fuss. At any rate the 1830 style is coming back—so they say—and afternoon frocks have the off-the-shoulder line, suggested with trimmings. Black velvet ribbons are criss-crossed on this white taffeta skirt in a novel and striking fashion. The wide leg o'mutton sleeve with its deep cuff has a frill to match the tall collar. Very charming with this white and black frock is a black lace straw hat with crown of green velvet leaves and one of the little skirt veils which flutter from the hat-brim.

Corded Frills Make Hoops Needless.

A veritable love of a gown is the dainty model of black satin and tulle from Jenny. Many, many tiny frills of black satin, each run with a cord at its lower edge, make the gauzy black tulle skirt stand out as though mounted over hoops. More of these little corded frills appear on the tulle bodice, giving it the effect of a jacket, overhanging the waistline. Under the tulle bodice is a guimpe of white chiffon and satin, and very properly with this smart black and white gown are worn white silk stockings and shiny black slippers in the buckled style that Paris again approves.

Beauty Twixt Chin and Collar Bone

THE chin is rather a neglected feature, more's the pity. Women spend a deal of time giving beauty-attention to the rest of their physiognomy but the chin, too often gets off with a lick and a promise, as one might say. Hours—and dollars—are spent on the hair; it is shampooed, singed, supplied with tonic, burnished, curled and matched with expensive artificial tresses. Even more dollars are spent on the teeth. The complexion receives its due share, but it is the complexion above the chin that most women worry about; the chin is a hardy sort of member and seems really to demand little except ordinary cleanliness—until the day comes when long neglect becomes apparent. It may look dingy and yellowed; it may have grown flabby and shriveled; it may have developed—or show signs of developing—that loose bag of flesh called a double-chin; or it may reveal itself rough and covered with blackheads, or worse yet, pimples. All, usually, because it has been neglected.

The beautiful chin is milk-white with a dainty touch of rose at its tip. Its skin is soft and its contours rounded, even when it is a square, determined little chin. The sharp, peaked chin is never lovely, no matter how white it may be. Underneath the jaw the line of the beautiful chin blends softly into the line of the neck and the line is the line of youth. The trouble is that women do not look often enough at their profiles. It is the profile view that tells the first story about age—in the chin; from a front view the contour of the chin appears pretty much the same until the double-chin has become fairly obvious. And one should remember that it is the profile, not the full face that is presented most to critical eyes.

The dreaded double chin, ominous sign of advancing age, does not make its appearance first in a baggy look between chin and throat; but in the angular break in the soft curve of youth between chin and throat. The flesh adhering tightly to the bone under the tip of the jaw just behind the cartilage that forms the chin, then sagging back and down into the line of the throat. In the young girl pictured as applying half a lemon to her throat, the chin has the soft sweeping line of youth. Now look at the picture of the older woman with head raised in profile view. The flesh has begun to adhere to the jawbone, giving the peaked effect which will later be pronounced as age approaches. Take a pencil and make a shadow back of the chin cartilage under either of these pictured chins and you will immediately produce an effect of middle age.

In order to keep the chin young and round as long as possible, it should be massaged with thumb and finger-tip daily; not only over the bagging flesh of what may become the double-chin but also under the cartilage at the tip, to keep the flesh and muscles under the jawbone free and flexible. Massage for a double-chin is illustrated in another picture. With head thrown back, the finger-tips are placed over the throat, thumbs up, or back. Then the fingertips are drawn firmly upward to the ears, meeting again and drawing upward again, over and over. The massage should be given with a good flesh food, after a thorough cleansing of the chin and throat with warm water. Afterward ice cold water should be dashed against chin and throat. This will harden flaccid muscles and incidentally will be a great preventive of colds and sore throat.

A double chin can be reduced measurably by the wearing of a chin bandage; but with the reducing of the superfluous flesh will almost certainly follow a shriveled, stringy look that is equally unbeautiful unless the bandage treatment is offset by regular massage and feeding of the skin with a good skin-food. A chin bandage may be made by folding a long strip of cotton cloth in two and dipping the strip in strong alum water. Tie the bandage, or pin it with a safety pin on top of the head, and have it tight enough to give firm pressure under the chin. Sleep in the bandage or wear it for several hours during the day. When it is removed, massage the flesh food into the throat and chin and then dash with cold water. This treatment if persisted in for two or three months will remove even the most obstinate double chin without disfiguring effect. If middle age brings, instead of the flabby double chin, shriveled and stringy muscles of the throat, use the skin-food and massage treatment and also take exercises for the neck. The head should be slowly bent, first to the right, then to the left, then far back until you feel a strong stretching of the throat muscles, then allowed to fall forward on the breast. Then roll the head around, first from right to left, then from left to right as though it were loose on its axis, the spine. Do this ten times, morning and evening. Follow with this excellent physical culture exercise for the throat muscles: Draw the lips back from the teeth and make a long hissing sound, as loud as you are able. You will feel the pull of the throat muscles and they will grow firmer and less flabby if this exercise is done faithfully several times each day.

Rub the Throat With Lemon to Keep it Fair and Flawless.

Systematic Massage the Very Best Treatment For an Established Double Chin.

If the chin should be anything, it should be white and speckless. Too often its whiteness is spoiled by blackheads. Few chins are scrubbed with soap and water as they ought to be. First the pores must be opened by a hot water and soap scrub, given with a fleshbrush. Then scrub the chin with this solution: five cents worth of castile soap, dissolved, four ounces of alcohol, the juice of two lemons, and two drops of carbolic acid. After the scrubbing rub a little skin-food into the skin. This treatment may be given three times a week, at night. In the morning cold water for chin and throat.

It is a pity that so many throats are yellow and coarse of texture. The rubbing of the collar, particularly the coat collar of heavy cloth or fur, is responsible for this. Sweet milk and salt, a teaspoonful of salt to a pint of milk, will whiten the neck if regularly applied. Half a lemon rubbed over the throat and neck every night will keep away the disfiguring marks of high collars. If the neck, below the ears and at the back, has become very rough and discolored from the fur coat collar, bind on a thin slice of raw beef for a few hours and repeat the treatment in a day or two. And now that spring is so near I will whisper this secret to you. Nothing gives the chin and throat such lovely whiteness as fresh strawberry juice.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

COTTON DECLINES FUTHER

Market Nervous and Irregular—Early Break Carries Prices to New Low Ground For Movement.

New York, Feb. 26.—The cotton market was nervous and irregular today and an early break carried prices into new low ground for the movement. May fell to 11.24, and after rallying to 11.40, sold off again to 11.31 during the last few minutes. The general list closed barely steady, net unchanged to five points lower.

Cables were about a sdue, but after opening steady at an advance of three points to a decline of five points, the market weakened owing principally to a decline in New Orleans and rumors that the interior was again selling hedges in the Southern market. The break carried March contracts off to 11.06, July to 11.45 and October to 11.67, or about 7 to 10 points under last night's closing figures, and a point or two under yesterday's lowest levels.

There was a good demand around 11.45 for July and prices rallied rather sharply during the middle of the morning to 5a6 points above last night's closing figures, and some 12 to 16 points above the lof level of the morning. The demand was suddenly withdrawn late in the morning and prices broke under continued scattered liquidation, Southern and local selling. Closing prices showed reactions of 7a9 points from the best. Reports that Southern mills had been good buyers of spot cotton in the Carolinas on yesterday's decline, probably helped the early rally, but the small amount of cotton reported on shipboard awaiting clearance at the close of the week was considered an unfavorable feature.

Closed barely steady.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
March	11.17	11.20	11.06	11.13
May	11.35	11.40	11.24	11.31
July	11.56	11.60	11.45	11.51
October	11.71	11.79	11.66	11.70
December	11.86	11.93	11.80	11.84

Spot cotton quiet; middling uplands 11.20; no sales.

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

New Orleans—Middling, 11.13; receipts, 2,319; exports, 8,587; sales, 1,600; stock, 400,074.

Galveston—Middling, 11.55; receipts, 9,612; exports, 6,685; sales, 150; stock, 312,387.

Mobile—Middling, 10.88; receipts, 33; sales, 175; stock, 20,989.

Savannah—Middling, 11.50; receipts, 2,349; sales, 327; stock, 177,035.

Charleston—Middling, 11¼; receipts, 106; stock, 83,617.

Wilmington—Receipts, 39; stock, 51,206.

Norfolk—Middling, 11.13; receipts, 1,432; sales, 348; stock, 126,531.

Baltimore—Stock, 4,928.

Boston — Middling, 11.30; receipts, 390; stock, 12,800.

Philadelphia — Middling, 11.45; receipts, 37; exports, 497; stock, 3,182.

New York—Middling, 11.20; receipts, 50; exports, 1,264; stock, 319,304.

Minor Ports—Receipts, 24,894; exports, 24,583; stock, 38,803.

Total today—Receipts, 40,761; exports, 41,616; stock, 1,551,356.

Total for week—Receipts, 40,761; exports, 41,616.

Total for season—Receipts, 5,520,094; exports, 3,449,662.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Middling, 11.50; receipts, 2,581; shipments, 5,825; sales, 2,158; stock, 159,673.

Memphis — Middling, 11.38; receipts, 1,747; shipments, 2,873; sales, 1,500; stock, 274,050.

Augusta — Middling, 11.25; receipts, 372; shipments, 897; sales, 627; stock, 165,447.

St. Louis — Middling, 11½; receipts, 11,195; shipments, 1,720; stock, 18,265.

Cincinnati—Receipts, 480; shipments, 278; stock, 16,253

Little Rock — Middling, 11.56; receipts, 470; shipments, 458; sales, 458; stock, 36,856.

Dallas—Middling, 11.00.

Montgomery—Middling, 10.80; sales, 141.

Total today—Receipts, 6,345; shipments, 12,661; stock, 670,533.

LIVERPOOL COTTON MARKET.

Liverpool, Feb. 26. — Cotton—Spot, steady. Good middling, 8.00; middling, 7.73; low middling, 7.39; sales, 8,000; 2,500 for speculation and export; receipts, 10,000; futures, barely steady. February, 7.56; February and March, 7.51½; March and April, 7.51; April and May, 7.49; May and June, 7.48; June and July 7.45; July and August 7.44; August and September, 7.29; September and October, 7.30; October and November, 7.26½; November and December, 7.24; December and January, 7.22; January and February, 7.20½.

NEW YORK PROVISIONS.

New York, Feb. 26. — Raw sugar, steady; molasses sugar, 4.25; centrifugal, 5.05; refined, steady. Spot coffee, steady; Rio, No. 7, 9¼; Santos, No. 4, 10½.

Butter—Firm

Cheese—Firmer.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

International Situation Causes Recessions Which Are Recovered.

New Orleans, Feb. 26.—International politics caused much bearish comment in the local cotton market today and at times selling pressure was heavy, but the tone on the whole was steady and recessions were followed by recoveries. Late in the morning, the market was at its highest, the trading months stood at a net advance of 2 to 4 points and closed steady, one point higher to 1 point lower than yesterday.

The steadiness was due almost wholly to week-end realizing by the short element. On the opening near months stood one point up, but selling quickly increased, being stimulated by news dispatches from Washington, regarding the submarine question, and values quickly fell off to a level 8 to 11 points under yesterday's last prices. Heavy buying by profit-taking shorts set in and prices gradually recovered.

Talk of drouth in Texas, was considered more bearish because it was claimed additional injury was resulting to the wheat crop which would throw more land into cotton.

Futures closed steady. Closing bid: March 10.84; May 11.09; July 11.35; October 11.55; December 11.70.

Spot cotton steady, unchanged; sales on the spot 900 bales; to arrive 700 bales; middling 11.13.

SEVERE BREAK IN WHEAT

Excited Selling on the Market, with the Close Semi-Demoralized—Corn and Oats Also Decline.

Chicago, Feb. 26. — Excited selling that resulted from pessimistic surmises about developments in the submarine issue and that arose from unconfirmed rumors of the fall of Verdun, brought about a severe break in wheat. The market closed semi-demoralized, 5¼ to 5½ cents net lower, with May at 1.13½ and July at 1.10¾.

Corn finished ⅞ to 1⅛@1¼ down, and oats off ⅛@⅝ to ⅞ to 1 cent; but provisions unchanged to 5 cents higher.

Grain and provisions closed:

Wheat—May, 1.13½; July, 1.10¾.

Corn—May, 76½; July, 76⅝.

Oats—May, 44⅛; July, 41⅝.

Pork—May, 20.75; July, 20.70.

Lard—May, 10.85; July, 10.52.

Ribs—May, 11.45; July, 11.55.

Cash grain:

Wheat—No. 2, red, 1.17¼; No. 3, red, nominal; No. 2, hard, 1.12@1.14¼; No. 3, hard, 1.08@1.12½.

Corn—No. 2, yellow, nominal; No. 4, yellow, 70@73¼; No. 4, white, 71@72½.

MARINE.

Arrived.

Str Matilda Weems, Hudgins, Georgetown, Baltimore and Carolina Steamship Company.

Cleared.

Str. Chippewa, Maguire, New York, C. J. Becker, agent.

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List of Vessels in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

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Str. Ramsay (Br.), 2,788 tons, Mullan, Alex. Sprunt & Son.

Str. Nicaria (Ger.) 3,289 tons, Hollasch, Heide & Co.

Str. Kiel (Ger.) 2,872 tons, Lemke, Heide & Co.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

(Quoted Daily by the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 26, 1916.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nominal.

ROSIN—Nominal.

TAR—Nominal.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—$3.50, $3.50, $2.50.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, 41½; rosin, $2.30; tar, $1.50-7c.; crude, nominal.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	(—)
Rosin	(—)
Tar	68
Crude Turpentine	(—)

Receipts — Same day last year: Spirits turpentine, (—) casks; rosin (—) barrels; tar, 159 barrels; crude turpentine, 3 barrels.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—11¼c. Quotations same day last year, 7⅞c.

Receipts—34 bales; same day last year, 2,321 bales.

Total receipts since August 1st, to date, 150,646 bales

Total receipts to same date last year, 168,717 bales.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at This Port Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., Feb. 26.

Atlantic Coast Line—33 bales cotton; 42 barrels tar.

Seaboard Air Line—1 bale cotton; 26 barrels tar.

Total—34 bales cotton; 68 barrels tar.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Feb. 26.)

SWEET POTATOES—Yams, 55c. to 60c. per bushel.

IRISH POTATOES—$1.00.

CORN—$1.75 per sack.

BEEF—Native dressed, 7@9c; good demand.

PORK—Small, 8@10c. per pound.

WOOL—Burry, 17c to 20c.; first class, 27c.

HIDES—Green salt, 12@13c; dry flint, 17@20c per lb.; good demand.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON — Old hams, 18c.; sides and shoulders, 14c. to 15c. per pound, good demand.

BEESWAX—Firm, 28c per pound; good demand.

POULTRY—Chickens, grown, 45c to 50c; spring, 20c to 35c head. Geese 55c to 60c per head. Ducks, 35c to 50c owing to quality. Turkeys, 18c per lb., alive.; 20c to 22c dressed.

EGGS—18c. dozen.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Feb. 26.—North Carolina Peanuts—Market weaker. Fancy hand picked, 75c.; No. 1 machine picked, 70c per bushel.

Virginia Peanuts—Market weaker. Jumbos, 60c.; fancy hand picked, 55c. No. 1, machine-picked, 50c. per bushel.

Spanish Peanuts—Market weaker. No. 1, small, machine picked, 95c.; Jumbos, 85c. per bushel.

Receipts—Light.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, Plummer & Co. Inc.)

Petersburg, Va., Feb. 26.—Spanish—Farmers stock, market, steady. First quality, $1.10 per bu.; green and dirty, 60c to 75c per bu.

Virginias—Farmers' stock, market steady. Fancy Jumbo, 4c per lb.; fancy hand picked, 3¾c per lb.; extra prime, 3½c per lb.; prime 3¼c per lb.; shelling stock, 2½c to 3c per lb.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Feb. 26. — Hogs—Higher. Bulk, 8.50@8.70; light, 8.05@8.65; mixed, 8.35@8.70; heavy, 8.25@8.75; rough, 8.25@8.40; pigs, 6.80@7.85.

Cattle—Steady. Native beef steers, 6.85@9.50; stockers and feeders, 5.65@7.70; cows and heifers, 3.25@8.25; calves, 8.50@11.25.

Sheep—Steady. Wethers, 8.00@8.50; ewes, 5.75@8.35; lambs, 9.25@11.25.

RESERVE BANK STATEMENT.

Washington, Feb. 26. — Reserve holdings of Federal Reserve Banks increased more than $1,500,000 during the past week, according to a statement of the banks' condition February 25, issued today by the Federal Reserve Board.

STOCKS UNDER PRESSURE

Market Gradually Yields to the Professionals—Petroleums, Motors, Etc. Among the Weakest.

New York, Feb. 26.—Opening with some show of strength under the lead of Reading and American Locomotive, which soon rose two points each, today's brief stock market gradually yielded to increasing professional pressure. A better understanding of the political situation at Washington was more than offset by latest reports of German successes in France.

Support was negligible at best, even in the investment shares, while specialties offered no resistance. Among the weakest stocks were the Petroleums, Motors, Mercantile Marine preferred, Crucible Steel, Baldwin Locomotive and American Zinc. Coppers were firm at the outset, but fell back later and United States Steel was more than ordinarily susceptible to pressure.

Leading rails, including Norfolk & Western, were lower by 1 to 2 points in the drive that accompanied the final dealings.

The official statement of January foreign trade showed a decided recession from the high tide of recent months and the weekly reports of the Mercantile agencies contained the significant statement that a disposition to proceed with caution is evinced in various quarters. The weekly exhibit of the clearing house institutions reflected some of the recent new financing and shifting of loans incidental to such operations.

Bonds were barely steady, with total sales, par value, $1,625,000. United States registered 4s and coupon 4s, advanced 1-2 and 1-4 per cent respectively on call during the week.

NEW YORK STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers	B. 29
American Beet Sugar	68
American Can	61½
American Car and Foundry	68
American Cotton Oil	58½
American Locomotive	69
American Smelting	98½
American Sugar	112½
American Tel. and Tel	127⅝
American Tobacco	194
Anaconda Copper	87
Atchison	103¼
Atlantic Coast Line	109¼
Baldwin Locomotive	104½
Baltimore and Ohio	86½
Bethlehem Steel	B.454
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	85⅞
Canadian Pacific	166⅝
Central Leather	53½
Chesapeake and Ohio	62
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	94
Chicago, R. I. and Pac. Ry	18¼
Consolidated Gas	133¼
Continental Can	80½
Crucible Steel	76¼
Erie	36
General Electric	169¾
Great Northern, Pfd	120¼
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	43
Illinois Central	B.102⅞
Interborough Consol. Corp	17¼
Kansas City Southern	26½
Lehigh Valley	78⅜
Louisville and Nashville	122⅜
Liggett and Meyers	B.252
Lorillard Co	197½
Missouri, Kansas and Texas, pfd.	14
Missouri Pacific	5
Mexican Petroleum	99⅞
National Lead	66¾
New York Central	104
N. Y., N. H. and Hartford	67½
Norfolk and Western	116
Northern Pacific	112¼
Pennsylvania	57
Reading	80
Rep. Iron and Steel	51½
Seaboard Air Line	B. 16⅝
Seaboard Air Line, pfd	35
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	56
Studebaker Corp	141
Southern Pacific	98¾
Southern Railway	20½
Southern Railway, pfd	B. 57
Tennessee Copper	57
Texas Co	203
Texas and Pacific	B. 6½
Union Pacific	133⅝
United States Rubber	51
United States Steel	82⅞
United States Steel, pfd	116⅜
Utah Copper	83½
Virginia-Caro. Chem	46
Va. Iron, Coal and Coke	B. 51
Wabash, pfd "B" Ctfs.	26
Western Union	88
Westinghouse Electric	64⅞
United Fruit	142¼
Kennecotte Copper	54 1-2

COTTON SEED OIL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 26. — The cotton seed oil market was firmer on a good commission house demand, prompted by the advance in lard and further covering in March. Closing prices were 3 to 6 points net higher. Sales, 9,400 barrels. Close, strong. Spot, 9.72 bid. March, 9.75@9.76; April, 9.62@9.70; May, 9.54@9.55; June, 9.54@9.59; July, 9.53@9.56; August, 9.55@9.56; September, 9.54@9.55; October, 9.00@9.10. Total sales, 9,400.

SAVANNAH NAVAL STORES.

Savannah, Feb. 26. — Turpentine, firm, 50; sales, 172; receipts, 127; shipments, 113; stock, 9,490.

Rosin—Steady. Sales, 667; receipts, 595; shipments, 606; stock, 58,917. Quote: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, 4.85; H, 4.90; I, 5.00; K, 5.30; M, 5.60 to 5.70; N, 6.00; W G, 6.25; W W, 6.50.

WEEK'S BANK STATEMENT.

New York, Feb. 26.—The statement of the actual condition of clearing house banks and trust companies for the week (five days) shows that they hold $134,998,790 reserve in excess of legal requirements. This is a decrease of $17,009,750 from last week.

THE FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Feb. 26. — Mercantile paper, 3@3½; sterling sixty day bills, 4.71¼; demand, 4.76½; cables, 4.76 15-16; bar silver, 56⅛; Mexican dollars, 43½; government bonds, steady; railroad bonds, steady.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Feb. 26. — Linens were firm today, with prices abroad exceedingly high. Burlaps held at top figures. Wool products were active and firm. Cotton goods and yarns were steady.

You'll Enjoy

a few hours' outing in the bracing ocean air at the beach this afternoon. (Advertisement.)

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

February 27, 1916.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M. yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 35 degrees; at 8 P. M., 44 degrees; Maximum, 51 degrees; minimum, 34 degrees; mean, 43 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; rainfall for the month, to date, 2.06 inches.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M. yesterday, 12.5 feet; rising.

THE WEATHER.

For North Carolina—Overcast Sunday, probably snow flurries in the mountains; Monday fair, not much change in temperature.

The Port Calendar, February 27, 1916.

Sun rises ..... 6:43 A. M.

Sun sets ..... 6:06 P. M.

Day's length ..... 11 hrs. 23 min.

THE TIDES.

	High water. A.M.	P.M.	Low water. A.M.	P.M.
Wilmington	4:30	4:44	12:03	12:00
Southport	2:00	2:21	8:46	8:54
Masonboro Inl	1:49	2:10	8:36	8:34

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS

February 26, 1916.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest today.	Lowest Last night.	Precipitation at 8 p.m.
Abilene	cldy	62	46	.0
Asheville	snow	28	24	.12
Atlanta	clear	46	28	.0
Augusta	clear	52	34	.0
Baltimore	cldy	40	—	.0
Birgingh.	clear	54	30	.0
Boston	cldy	44	38	1.16
Charleston	cldy	51	21	.0
Charlotte	clear	44	30	.0
Chicago	clear	38	26	.01
Galveston	rain	66	56	.0
Jacksonv	clear	60	36	.0
Memphis	clear	46	40	.0
Mobile	clear	64	42	.0
Montgom'y	clear	58	36	.0
New Orl.	clear	66	46	.0
New York	cldy	38	30	.12
Oklahoma	cldy	50	26	.0
Palestine	pt cldy	64	48	.0
Pittsburg	snow	30	26	.02
Raleigh	pt cldy	46	34	.0
Savannah	clear	56	34	.0
Shreveport	clear	64	42	.0
St. Louis	cldy	38	24	.0
Washing'n	cldy	40	34	.02

COTTON GOODS MARKET.

Strenth is Gained During the Week. Printcloths Higher.

New York, Feb. 26.—Cotton goods markets ruled strong during the week. Prices are still advancing and seem to be uninfluenced by the rise or fall of raw material prices. New prices named on printed percales for fall were irregularly higher, dark colors being in some instances one cent a yard above light colors. Printers are also restricting the dark colors permitted in an order.

Printcloths have advanced from 1-8 to 1-4c. a yard, sales being quite free. Goods of printcloth yarn construction, such as twills, sateens, etc., are substantially higher than plain goods. Fine and fancy cottons are still in very good demand, but mills are not feet sellers. Coarse heavy sheetings are very firm, some forty inch goods suitable for the bag trade being scarce for spot delivery and well sold ahead on contract. Shirting chambrays are up 2 1-4 cents a yard, over the base price of last year, the sharp rise being due to the exorbitant cost of dyes. Although prices on many lines are very high, buying has been going on steadily.

Both retailers and pobbers are making future commitments in a liberal way. Further advices are looked for in bleached cottons and printers and finishers say the top has not yet been seen on colored gabrics. Knit goods are very fir mand active, while yarn markets show little or no change despite the lower cost of the staple. Many prices are still nominal, but current quotations are as follows:

Printcloths, 28 inch, 64x74s, 4 cents; 64x60c, 3 3-4 cents; 38 1-2 inch, 64x64s, 5 1-8 cents; brown sheetings, Southern standards, 8 1-4a8 1-2 cents; prints, 6 12 cents, denims, 9 ounce, 16 1-2 cents; tickings, 8 ounce, 14 1-2 cents; staple ginghams, 7 1-2 cents; dress gingrams, 9 1-2 cents.

DENIES THAT MRS. EATON WAS COMPELLED TO SPLIT SALARY

Mrs. Rowe Testifies Before the Civil Service Commission.

Chicago, Feb. 26.—Denial that Mrs. Page Walter Eaton, former head of the bureau of social surveys, had been compelled to contribute part of her salary as a city employe to the relief of a relative of Mayor Thompson, was made today by Mrs. Louise Osborne Rowe, head of the city department of public welfare, and the person to whom Mrs. Eaton testified she had made the alleged payments.

Mrs. Rowe's denial was made from the witness chair before the civil service commission where Mrs. Eaton had made the charges in two days of questioning and cross-questioning.

After leaving the witness stand today Mrs. Eaton was quoted as saying that she had obtained information which exonorated Mayor Thompson from all knowledge of the payments which she said she had made to Mrs. Rowe for the benefit of Mrs. Margaret E. Mivelaz, the mayor's sister-in-law.

Rumors tha tthe city council would be asked by several aldermen to abolish the department of public welfare were current today.

SELLS SEASON TICKETS

President Haughton, of the Boston Braves, Starts Innovation.

Boston, Feb. 26.—One of the innovations of President Percy Haughton, of the Boston Braves, will be to sell season tickets (transferable) at reduced prices. Dollar seats will be sold at the rate of 62 cents if a season book is taken; while the 75-cent bink will be sold at the rate of 52 cents. These can be reserved for the entire season, and it is promised, if the Braves are in the world series, that the purchasers also will be entitled to hold their regular seats for the big show.

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$23.35—Goldsboro, N. C., to Pensacola, Fla., and return, account Mardi Gras Celebration, March 2nd-7th, 1916. Tickets on sale Feb. 28th to March 6th, inclusive, with final limit March 17th. Stop-overs permitted.

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No. 90. 3:40 A.M. Monday morning only.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad.	No. 91. 1:15 A.M. Sunday morning (Saturday night) only.
No. 51. 5:30 A.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, St. Petersburg, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia, open to receive outbound passengers at Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and may be occupied, inbound, until 7:00 A. M.	No. 50. 11:59 P.M. Daily.
No. 64. 5:15 A.M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate stations.	No. 65. 6:15 P.M. Mon., Wed. and Fri. only.
No. 48. 7:30 A.M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. Parlor car, Wilmington to Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York trains with Pullman service.	Daily. No. 49. 6:05 P.M.
No. 52. 8:45 A.M. Daily.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52. 3:00 P.M. Daily.
No. 62. 3:35 P.M. Daily.	Jacksonville, Newbern and intermediate stations.	No. 63. 12:50 P.M. Daily.
No. 53. 3:45 P.M. Daily.	Chadbourn, Florence, Columbia, Augusta, Atlanta and the West. Charleston, Savannah and all Florida points. All Steel Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmintogn, August and Atlanta. Pullman cars between Florence and Columbia.	No. 54. 12:50 P. M. Daily.
No. 59. 6:30 P.M. Tues., Thurs. and Sat. only.	Fayetteville and Intermediate stations.	No. 60. 10:15 A.M. Tues., Thurs., Sat. only.
No. 42. 6:45 P.M. Daily.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains; also Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.	No. 41 9:50 A.M. Daily.

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Leave Front and for Winter Park	Leave Front and for Wrightsville	Leave... Front and for Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Beach for Wilmington
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a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a6:30 A. M.	a7:36 A. M.	a7:25 A. M.	.....
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SPECIAL FOR SUNDAYS.

Leave Front and Princess Streets every half hour from 2:00 to 5:00 P. M.
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$26.75 New Orleans

$23.35 Mobile

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DEPARTURE OF TRAINS FROM WILMINGTON:

No. 13—4:00 P. M.—Train for Charlotte and Intermediate Points. PULLMAN PARLOR CAR, WILMINGTON TO CHARLOTTE.

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ARRIVAL OF TRAINS AT WILMINGTON:

No. 14

OPEN NEW WHOLESALE STORE

Bear Produce & Merchandise Company Will Conduct Big Produce and Fruit Establishment.

With a paid in capital of $5,000 and an authorized capital stock of $100,000, the Bear Produce & Merchandise Company, Incorporated, has opened a fine new establishment for the conduct of a wholesale fruit and produce business on a larger scale than has hitherto been attempted in this city at No. 19 Market street. The company will occupy the three floors of the building at this address.

Mr. J. Irving Bear, president, and Mr. Frederick D. Bear, secretary, are the principal stockholders of the company. The firm has already started business at its store on Market street and will conduct a general wholesale fruit and vegetable business. It will buy and sell all kinds of country produce and besides selling to Wilmington dealers, will also sell its fruits, such as oranges, apples, grapefruit and the like to dealers in the territory contiguous to Wilmington.

Owing to the fact that the company is backed by sufficient capital and a high order of business ability, it will be in a position to buy at close figures and give its customers high-class goods at reasonable prices.

The company has already formed valuable connections with produce buyers in the principal produce markets of the country. The rapid and efficient marketing on a large scale of perishable products, such as vegetables, and the other fruits which the new company will handle has been for some time a long felt want in Wilmington. The new concern is, therefore, a welcome addition and asset to the business establishments of the city.

FRENCH CONFIDENT OF VERDUN VICTORY

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and the heavy snow and frost seriously hampers their movements.

The great activity in the Ypres salient during the past fortnight, the dispatch says, was really in the nature of a diversion. If the Germans had found it possible to push beyond the international trenches, the fighting would have assumed the proportions of another battle of Ypres.

The defense, however, was too strong to be swept through. Regarded as a feint, the operation failed simply because the British general staff was not deceived as to its true character.

The Germans probably improved their position southeast of Ypres and before Givenchy. Whether these improvements are worth the price paid is another matter.

"Probably," the correspondent states, "there is not a clear conception at home of the present phase on this front. People may be saying that although there is talk of our ability to take German first line trenches whenever we like, we never do so, but that the Germans occupy a bit of our front line whenever they make up their minds to do so.

"The explanation lies right on the surface. The British army is not attacking yet. It may be necessary to develop a counter stroke occasionally, and of course, it is always necessary to go on wasting enemy life diligently by every possible means of trench atrition. But this leaves the general strategic scheme unchanged. The Germans, on the other hand, are attacking because they feel the vital urgency for so doing."

ARMY RESERVE IS GROWING IN FAVOR

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duties, 1,000 additional men in the commission personnel was agreed upon as against an increase of 786, proposed by the War Department.

The increases over the department figures would be in field and coast artillery, the former being doubled over its present strength. A total of twelve regiments or 108 batteries is contemplated. The coast artillery would be increased to a point where regulars to man all mine and torpedo defenses and one-half the guns in fixed fortifications would be available for anddditional complement to man the proposed mobile guns to be added.

CAPTURE OF FORT NOT ADMITTED BY FRENCH

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defeated on the outskirts of the city by the Austrians.

CLAIMS FORT IS TAKEN.

Berlin Official Statement Says Douaumont is Captured.

Berlin, Feb. 26 (via London).—It is officially announced that Fort Douaumont, one of the fortifications of Verdun, was taken by storm yesterday afternoon and is now firmy held by the Germans.

The official announcement is as follows:

"The armed fort, Douaumont, the northeastern corner of the permanent main line fortifications of the stronghold of Verdun, was stormed yesterday afternoon by the 34th regiment of Brandenburg infantry and is now firmly in German hands."

BELIEVEL AMERICA IS STILL UMPIRE OF WAR

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country. It was due to the spirit at Washington—because of Woodrow Wilson.

"I believe that America is still the umpire of the tremendous contest that is going on and that Woodrow Wilson is the man to keep the game in check. If the umpire finds himself in danger, it may be necessary to put on a mask."

TIMBER FOR SALE—FIRST TRACT— Two and a half million pine on railroad within 20 miles of Wilmington. Second tract—Three million pine, one mile from railroad, 18 miles from Wilmington. For price and terms, apply to J. F. Simpson, Point Caswell, N. C. fe 27-su-3t*

GOVERNMENT EXAMINATIONS — Railway mail, postoffice, mail carrier, department clerk. Internal Revenue. Prepare under former Civil Service Examiner. Complete course by mail, $7.00. A passing grade guaranteed. U. S. School of Civil Service, 116 N. Y. Ave., Washington, D. C. fe27-1t

50TH ANNIVERSARY SERVICE

Rev. F. B. Clausen Will Deliver Principal Address—Exercises in Grace Church—Programme.

Rev. F. B. Clausen, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran church, will make the principal address at the 50th anniversary service of the Young Women's Christian Association, of Wilmington, which will be held in Grace Methodist church Friday night beginning at 8 o'clock. There will be a special anniversary programme carried out which will be the same as that used by all the associations throughout the country, each of which will conduct services at the same hour, this being the anniversary of the founding of the association 50 years ago.

Rev. Dr. Wm. H. Milton, rector of St. James' Episcopal church, will make an address on the life and work of Miss Grace Dodge, who for ten years was the beloved president of the National board. Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure and Rev. M. T. Plyler will assist in the exercises of the evening. Mrs. Andrew J. Howell will preside at the exercises. A special choir will lead in the singing of the hymns.

Following is the programme of the exercises for the anniversary occasion:

Processional Hymn, "Rejoice Ye Pure in Heart."
Invocation by Rev. M. T. Plyler.
Greeting by Mrs. Andrew J. Howell.
Hymn—"Oh, Beautiful for Spacious Skies."
Responsive Reading, led by Mrs. Howell.
Prayer of Praise by Rev. M. T. Plyler.
Hymn—"O God, Our Help in Ages Past."
Address by Rev. F. B. Clausen.
Prayer of Consecration.
Address by Rev. Dr. W. H. Milton.
Hymn—"Lead On, O King Eternal."
Benediction by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure.

The public is cordially invited to attend and all members of the Y. W. C. A. are urged to be present.

Business Locals

FOR SALE—MODERN, THREE-CHAIR barber shop, situated in only hotel in a hustling North Carolina town, of over three thousand inhabitants. Very nice shop, costing over twelve hundred dollars. At present operated by colored men. A good wide-awake white man can easily double the business. Will accept the best offer above seven hundred and fifty dollars. Only those meaning business need make reply. If interested address "Barber Shop" care Star. fe 27-1t*

AS COSTS GO UP, WE ARE SOME-times compelled to raise our prices. We never lower our quality. Indications predict country-wide building boom this spring. Moral: Do it Now! Clark-Lynch Lumber Co. fe 27-1t

FOR SALE—ONE EXTRA FINE Berkshire and Poland China gilt. Large enough for breeding. Glenwood Dairy. Phone 1760. fe 27-1t*

WHEN YOU THINK OF SHINGLES, think of our 5 by 18 junipers at $5.25 per thousand. Clark-Lynch Lumber Co. fe 27-1t

FOR SALE—COUNTRY STORE HAND-ling general merchandise, about 15 miles from Wilmington. Propositions around two thousand dollars. Paying business for the right party. Death of former manager is reason for selling. May exchange for good marketable property, city or suburbs. Address, A. S. Y., No. 702 Castle street, city. fe 27-1t*

OUR REPUTATION IS BEHIND OUR products. We value our reputation, founded upon 100 per cent. square dealings. We can give you satisfaction. Clark-Lynch Lumber Co. fe 27-1t

WANTED—GOOD TENANT FOR 407 Wrightsville avenue, $22.50 per month. Modern conveniences. Phone 836. fe fe 27-1t

FOR RENT—FOUR CONNECTING furnished rooms. All modern conveniences. Use of telephone. Call 877. Apply J. B. Fales, 518 Castle street. fe 27-7t

YOUR KNOWLEDGE TELLS YOU that Market street will forever be the central boulevard, main residential street of Wilmington. This fact is indisputable. The corner of Market and Eighth streets is one of, if not the most beautiful sites in Wilmington. The lot we offer for sale here cannot be duplicated if you want the best. J. G. Wright & Son, Real Estate and Insurance Agents. fe27-1t

FOR SALE — TWO SAW MILLS WITH boilers and engines. All complete, ready for work. Cheap. Apply to J. R. Allsbrook, Allsbrook, S. C. fe27-1t*

WANTED — SALESMAN TO CALL ON grocers, confectioners, general stores, $150 monthly and expenses; yearly contract. Manager, S. 2nd St., St. Louis, Mo. fe27-1t*

WITH BLADEN PROLIFIC CORN WE won 11 prizes; value $150.00. Field selected; germination guaranteed; $1.25 per peck. Order quick; supply limited. John Johnson, Fayetteville, N. C. Route No. 8. je27-1t*

WANTED — TRAVELLER FOR 1916. Age 27 to 50. Experience unnecessary. Salary, commission and expense allowance to right man. J. E. McBrady, Chicago, Ill. fe27-1t*

WANTED — LARGE MANUFACTUR-er wants representatives to sell shirts, underwear, hosiery, dresses, waists, skirts, direct to homes. Write for free samples. Madison Mills, 590 Broadway, New York City. fe27-eosu-6t

THAT AUTOMOBILE YOU'VE WANT-ed! Here's your chance at a brand new Oakland Six, taken in exchange. Full equipment. Run less than 400 miles and much less than list price. See us about it, or write today. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., garage, Second St. Nothing better at the price will be offered this season. fe 27-1t

FOR QUICK REMOVAL—BRAND NEW Oakland Six touring car, 1916 model; electric lights and starter. Run less than 400 miles. Must be moved at once, regardless of price. Here's the chance you've been waiting for. Will pay you to buy and hold till spring. W. D. MacMillan, Jr., Garage, Second street. fe 27-1t*

AT CAROLINA COURT WE HAVE A nice little cottage that can be bought for a small amount down and the balance like rent. James & James, Inc., Southern Bldg.; 'Phone 163. fe27-1t

RHODE ISLAND RED EGGS FOR SET-ting. Now is the best time to book your orders for early hatching. Address A. H. High, Wilmington, N. C. 'Phone 697-1. fe20-su-tf

WANTED—SICK AND ACCIDENT IN-surance agents in North Carolina. Write L. C. McCabe, Winston-Salem, N. C. Feb 12-Sun-8t.

LAND FOR SALE—I OFFER MY sixty-five acre farm for sale, one fourth of a mile from town limit. Good seven room cottage, barn, stables, one good tenant house, tobacco barn and out buildings. One ever-flow well, good water, pavilion. Possession given any time. For information apply to H. B. Hatcher, Mt. Olive, N. C., or J. R. McPhail. fe 20-su-4t*

A FULL LINE OF SHADE TREES, roses and shrubs. Buy home grown fruit trees at The Holland Nurseries, Castle Haynes, N. C. 'Phone 5611. oc17-w,su-tf

WANTED—A YOUNG MAN WHO IS A licensed lawyer in the State of North Carolina, an A-1 stenographer, now holding a government position at a salary of $1,500 per year desires to form a partnership with a good law firm, preferably an established firm. Can give best of references. Address 119 B street, S. E., Washington, D. C. fe 26-2t

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EXTRA FANCY DRESSED GEESE today, 6 to 7 lbs. each; fresh dressed. Nice beef, milk veal, country pig pork. Good all pork sausage. Call us up. Full line of good things to eat. 'Phone No. 72. Batson's Meat Market. 115 Market st. fe23-tf

HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE AT A sacrifice. Lot 66x165 feet. Well built, nine room house; all modern conveniences; 715 North Fifth Avenue. J. M. Woolard fe24-7t*

UPSON WALL BOARD — THE MOST dependable Wall Board on the market. Car load just received. Call on us for samples and prices. Roger Moore's Sons & Co., 206 Princess street. 'Phone 154. fe24-4t

FOR SALE—A FEW HUNDRED BU-shels nice, sound peas at $1.20 per bushel F. O. B. Lauringburg. Box 65, Laurinburg, N. C. Feb 20-10t.

FOR RENT — 103 SOUTH EIGHTH street; seven rooms, all latest improvements. Gordon Brothers, 17 Princess street. de14-tf

AT WINOCA TERRACE THE LOTS are large, high, well drained and beautiful. Every city advantage; water, sewer, lights, gas, street cars, are there now. Attractive residences with the very best of neighbors are at Winoca. Soon, on a Winoca lot will be built the new County High School, and the new Methodist church, both elegant structures. Values at Winoca have been made and are being increased daily. Lots are steadily being sold, and the thoughtful person will investigate now, while the supply is largest and the price and terms are especially attractive. J. G. Wright & Son, Real Estate and Insurance Agents. fe27-1t

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NANCY HALL SWEET POTATO SLIPS for sale. A. J. Hanby, Myrtle Court, via Turnpike. fe27-1t*

DESIRABLE EIGHT-ROOM RESI-dence, No. 319 South Fifth avenue, for rent. All modern conveniences. Large lot. James Owen Reilly, Fire Insurance and Real Estate. fe27-1t*

FOR SALE — ONE HUNDRED COLO-nies of bees in movable frame hives. Get a large crop of honey annually, without killing the bees. Reason for selling, have got to devote my time to other business. R. Y. Corbett, Burgaw, N. C. fe27-4t*

FOR RENT — FIVE-ROOM APART-ment, with bath, in beautiful condition; all conveniences; good location; near in; rent reasonable. Apply P. O. Box 32. fe27-1t*

FOR SALE CHEAP — NEW BOAT, 16 feet long, with shaft and propeller; ready to receive three-horse power engine. Address "Boat," care Star. fe27-1t*

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WANTED — AGENTS TO SELL VAC-uum sweeper; hustlers can make $10 per day. Write for particulars. Reliable agency, 134 West Main street, Oklahoma City, Okla. fe27-1t*

LIVING IN AN APARTMENT EN-ables you to have the up-to-date conveniences and facilities at the smallest possible cost. Living in the Carolina, you get comfort in many ways, heat, artesian water, bath, hot and cold, two elevators, good janitor service, etc. In the comfortable Carolina there are two apartments for rent. Let us show these to you. J. G. Wright & Son, Real Estate and Insurance Agents. fe27-1t

FOR SALE — ON EASY TERMS, A good, up-to-date soda fountain and fixtures. Practically new and in first class condition. Address J. L. Lewis, Tabor, N. C. fe27-1t*

ISN'T IT WORTH AN EFFORT! DON'T you want to own your own home? We can make it surprisingly easy. Why don't you let us do this for you? Have you seen the splendid new house and lot at Chestnut and Thirteenth streets (Winoca)? Let us stop paying rent. You are invited to call and talk this over with us. J. G. Wright & Son, Real Estate and Insurance Agents. fe27-1t

FOR SALE — 100 WRENCHES, 130 shingles, 600 iron fence posts, 11 small tanks, 6 large tanks, 2 saw mills, 1 edger, 7 planers, 1 brick plant, half mile rail, 12 sets car wheels, 1 locomotive, 2 steam feeds, 9 boilers, 8 engines, 2 skidders, 1 loader, 2 hoisting engines, 2 gasoline engines, 1 dynamo, 1 switch board, 18 pumps, 3 laundry machines, 7 steam traps, 16 radiators, 1 automobile, 1 forge, 1 pipe machine, 1 lathe, 2 fans, 2 air compressors, 1,329 pulleys, 756 boxes, 15 couplings, 400 feet 6-inch pipe; 2 clutches, 3 stack plates, 22 furnace doors with frames, 1 fertilizer mixer, 1 knife grinder, 1 wood lathe, 1 dump car, 1 car jack, 2 crushers, 1,000 feet of belting, 82 valves, 1,600 brick, 1 bucket elevator, 29 tank buckles, 1 oil fitter, 1 steam separator, 1 heater, 1 shingle mill, 1 grist mill, 60 iron posts for buildings, 500 lbs. babbitt, 900 feet wire rope, 14 sheaves, 100 small boiler flues, 4 wagon axles, 2 sets derrick irons, 1 derrick bull wheel, and 1,000 other things for modern steam power and manufacturing plants. Wilmington Iron Works. fe27-1t

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12,000 ACRES LAND FOR SALE, VERY low price. L. W. Moore, Agent; 123 Princess street. fe27-1t

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BOYS' BRIGADE LYCEUM COURSE — Zimmer Sisters Concert Party, Tuesday, February 29th. Reserved seats at Munson's, Tuesday, 8 A. M. till 6 P. M. Single admission, 50 cents. fe27-3t

FOUND — AT 21 SOUTH SECOND ST.— Suits cleaned and pressed, 50 cents; ladies' suits cleaned and pressed, 50 cents. Royal Cleaning Co.; 'Phone 295. fe27-1t*

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RUNABOUT AUTOMOBILE, GOOD condition, and large Winter Park lot, 66 by 330, for $315.65, by the agent. L. W. Moore, 123 Princess st. fe27-1t

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FOR RENT — 5 AND 6 ROOM COT-tages, Market street road, near city. Splendid condition. L. W. Moore, Renting Agent. fe27-1t

NOW IS THE TIME TO CONSIDER suburban property. We have for sale one of the most attractive lots in the Winter Park section, 70 by 210, on hard street. Artesian well at hand. Price right. Wilder's Real Estate and Insurance Agency; 'Phone 631. fe27-1t

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UKULELES, FROM $4.75 UP. Violins, Mandolins, Guitars, Strings, Etc. Methods for above instruments. Yopp & Woody Music Co., 217 North Front. 'Phone 313. fe27-1t

FOR QUICK SALE, $325.00 WILL BUY desirable lot on Castle street, between 16th and 17th streets. Address Box 1093, City. fe27-1t*

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GRIDIRON CLUB PROJECTS ITSELF INTO CONVENTIONS

Helps Distinguished Party of Presidential Makers and Candidates Board Trains for Chicago and St. Louis—Foibles Satirized in a Make-Believe Railway Station—Dinner Last Night.

Washington, Feb. 26.—The Gridiron Club tonight at its second dinner of the winter, projected itself into the convention activities of next June and helped a distinguished party of presidential makers and candidates board trains for Chicago and St. Louis to meet the fates awaiting them there. In a make-believe railway station the actor members of the club satirized the foibles of some of their guests and some well-known men who were not present.

President Wilson was among those who looked on and he may have received an intimation of the opposition he will meet later in the year. Vice-President Marshall, the Secretaries of State, Navy and Interior, the Brazilian ambassador, the Chinese and Bolivian ministers, several members of the Senate and House, officers of the army and navy, and a number of the most notable figures in the nation's financial and industrial life were present.

The newly elected president of the club, Louis W. Strayer, of the Pittsburg Dispatch, was inaugurated with a humorous skit in which all members participated, variously attired to represent the Old Guard, the regular army reserve, the continental army, the government merchant marine, the Progressive party and war revenue tax collectors.

The most ambitious of several sketches presented by the club was the political one. Scrambles to make trains, strange traveling companions, and ticket complexities that confounded the railway gatemen offered extraordinary opportunities for fun-making. Passing through the Chicago gate were regular and progressive Republicans, characters representing former Senators Burton and Beveridge, former Vice-President Fairbanks, Senators Sherman, Borah, Cummins, Weeks and Penrose, Representative Cannon, former President Roosevelt, William Barnes and George W. Perkins, of New York. Through the St. Louis gate passed Secretary McAdoo, Postmaster General Burleson, Charles F. Murphy, of New York, and William Jennings Bryan.

The first passenger to reach Chicago train was recognized by one of the two gatemen as Senator Burton. Nervous and fussed, he inquired if he were too late and appeared greatly relieved when told that he was "leading the parade."

"You won't be too late till you get to Chicago," he was informed as the gateman punched his ticket.

Next came a passenger for St. Louis who was hailed as Secretary McAdoo. He produced a weird looking ticket, finally recognized as mileage, which the gateman examined laboriously. Muttering that it seemed "as compilcated as the shipping bill," the gateman asked if a mistake hadn't been made. Its intricacies were explained by methods of addition and subtraction, and the passenger passed through grinning. The gateman, recovering, remarked to his pal: "That wasn't no railroad ticket; that was today's Treasury statement."

Among the next batch of passengers was a tall, heavy-set man, carrying a broken plank under his arm, who tried to crowd through the St. Louis gateway.

"Hey, Mr. Speaker," expostulated the gateman, "this ticket ain't no good. It reads for Baltimore. And it's four years old."

"I knew it!" shouted the passenger, who resembled Champ Clark. "Bill Hearst told me to try to work it off, but the darn ticket never was any good."

The Speaker finally got through on "Missouri mileage" but the plank became wedged in the gateway. As he tried to disengage it, he explained that it "came out of the Baltimore cyclone," and was the last surviving bit of the one-term plank. They asked him what good it was, and he replied that he was "merely following T. R.'s advice—'Learn to swim, but always carry a life preserver.'"

Vice-President Marshall, extremely nervous, was closely followed by Senator Lewis, of Illinois.

"I ought to be nervous," he explained. "He follows me all the time. He followed me up to the rostrum in the Senate today and almost sat in the chair."

Former Vice-President Fairbanks, displaying a handful of tickets for a group of delegates "locked up in the baggage car" of the Chicago special, came next. He wanted to leave a few more tickets for any stray delegates who "might relish a little transportation." He was closely followed by two men described by one of the guards in a stage whisper, as "the two wickedest men in the world—Uncle Joe Cannon and Boisey Penrose." The impersonator of Senator Penrose asked: "Is this the regular train?" and was assured by the gateman that "everything is regular this year." Penrose wanted to know if the gateman had seen anyone by the name of Roosevelt hanging around.

"I heard he was going," the senator mused, "T. R. did me a great favor once—he made some speeches for Pinchot."

"Uncle Joe," urging the senator to hurry, asked if he expected to pay Mr. Roosevelt's fare.

"I'm willing—if he'll use the ticket I buy," was the answer.

Senator Weeks came along with a great handbag which he said was full of New England delegates. He was told to check it, but was warned not to let Sam McCall know where he put the check. Next came a passenger, greeted as General Burleson, dangling a string of dummies which he referred to as postmasters. They caused the gateman to wonder if "General Burleson had adopted Frank Hitchcock's children."

Colonel Roosevelt was followed by George W. Perkins, and they made a great commotion. Perkins was carrying a bag, which he said was so light that it kept flying out of his hands. The gateman asked what was in it.

"Ephraim's diet," replied the bogus Roosevelt. "I'm going to feed it to the Republicans."

The gateman pointed out that Colonel Roosevelt's ticket was for the Progressive train and dated 1912, but the Colonel told him he talked "like a Byzantine logothete." Perkins had no ticket. He was merely to see the Colonel on the train, he explained.

"Yes, and I'll see him off—at the first trestle," exclaimed the next passenger, familiarly greeted as Bill Barnes. This passenger waved an axe, which he called "an olive branch," to be presented to someone "between the fourth and fifth vertebrae."

Time was up and the gates closed when in rushed William J. Bryan. He carried a shotgun on which was mounted a dove of peace, and excitedly told the gateman that he had to get through as he had important business on the St. Louis train. His ticket, the guard said, was only a half-rate clergyman's ticket, but he gained his point and was allowed to slip through the gate on his promise to "run" for the train.

"You'll have to be some runner," commented the gateman.

"I am," replied Bryan, as he darted away. "Been running for twenty years."

After the gates were relocked two negroes entered. They explained they were delegates from "the Sunny South" and wanted to go to Chicago.

"This here station is closed for the season," the gateman replied. "If you wanta go to Chicago you gotta walk. W-A-K. walk."

Other features of the evening's entertainment were a pantomime portraying Colonel Roosevelt shying his hat into an imaginary ring; a song to the Chinese minister, sung to the air of "Chinatown," and a parody on "Orpheus and Eurydice," with a stage setting depicting the lower regions.

ACCEPTS CLARKTON CALL.

Rev. Walter Goodman, of Old Fort, Will Serve Presbyterian Pastorate.

Concord, N. C., Feb. 25.—Rev. Walter Goodman, who with Mrs. Goodman, is visiting at the home of Mr. H. I. Woodhouse, has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Presbyterian church at Clarkton. They will leave for their new home in a few days. Mr. Goodman has been pastor of the Presbyterian church at Old Fort for three years and is considered a capable and promising young minister.

Rockland, Me., Feb. 26.—The superdreadnaught Pennsylvania remained at anchor here today on account of a dense fog which prevented a run outside the bay for the completion of her standardization trials begun Thursday.

Wilson, N. C., Feb. 26.—Sam Green, a negro employed as a section hand on the Norfolk Southern railway, was struck Friday by a freight train and instantly killed. The body was badly mangled.

CHURCH PEOPLE UNITED FOR COMMUNITY UPLIFT

Week of Religious-Educational Talks Planned.

Sort of Chautauqua Proposition Launched by Representatives of All Denominations, Beginning June 12th.

(Special Star Correspondence).

Southport, N. C., Feb. 26.—A local movement, interdenominational in character, developed among the pastors of the churches in this city, whose unity in matters of religious advance is pronounced, was brought to action last evening, when the pastors of the several churches, Methodist, Baptist, Episcopal and Presbyterian, and representatives of other denominations who have no church organizations here, met, each with three members of their congregations, at the home of Rev. Mr. Parshley, rector of St. Phillips.

The movement, generalized, has in its inception a community uplift, of a religious character, but not of the revival nature, rather of an educational tenor. The attractive feature which cannot fail to appeal to young and old, man, woman and child, will be the week's course of talks twice a day, upon subjects that enter into the individual and community daily life. These talks will not be of the sermon kind, instead of a chautauqua character, and it is proposed that the speakers shall be men prominent in religious work, each church to elect two to come, thus bringing not less than eight speakers.

At the meeting yesterday, the programme was but briefly outlined, committees on place of holding the talks, finance, music and programme were named, these taking in leading citizens, men and women, from all the churches. It was the decision that the week beginning June 12 be the time.

It is expected that the speakers will, while here, be entertained in private homes. The costs will be defrayed through the sale of course tickets, these selling within the means of every family, for it is intended to make the week of a family kind, with everything centralized on the daily meetings, thus developing a genuine, sincere and notable spirit of uplift, mentally and morally. There is no intention to make a dollar, and all that is wanted is to come out even on the expenses that may be incurred, and the expenses will be kept as small as possible.

HIS HAT IS AGAIN NEAR THE RING.

SEN. A.B. CUMMINGS of IOWA.
SEN. THEO. E. BURTON of OHIO.
SEN. WM. E. BORAH of IDAHO.
MYRON T. HERRICK of OHIO.
SEN. LAWRENCE SHERMAN of ILLINOIS
THEO. ROOSEVELT
SAMUEL W. McCALL GOV. of MASS.
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CHAS. W. FAIRBANKS of INDIANA.
SEN. JOHN. W. WEEKS of MASS.
HERBERT S. HADLEY. of MISSOURI
JUSTICE CHAS. E. HUGHES.

The ring of prospective candidates for Republican nomination for the Presidency is now made up of eleven men who must be seriously considered. But when Colonel Roosevelt and his hat get into the ring again the interest will become intense.

FERTILIZER SITUATION NO REASON FOR ALARM

Is View Taken by Well Informed Men of Robeson.

Civil Court Tomorrow—McLeod's Friends Pleased—Visitor Praises County—"Dopesters" Having Trouble—Lumberton News.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Lumberton, N. C., Feb. 26.—A civil term of Superior court will convene here Monday with Judge Daniels presiding. It is not probable that many cases will be tried at this term, as the time has come in Robeson when a large majority of the suits entered are compromised and settled without ever going to trial. Within the past month three suits have been compromised where the amount of money involved was well over $10,000, thus saving time, costs and trouble to a large number of people.

Mr. R. D. Caldwell, now the oldest man engaged in business in Lumberton, talking this week about the fertilizer situation, said he saw no reason for any alarm along that line. He said that the farmers were going to buy all that could be obtained but, of course, there would be a big reduction from last year. Mr. Caldwell says they can make out for awhile without so much fertilizers, use what they can afford and work the crops. He does not think there will be much difference in acreage, but is of opinion that with good seasons and good honest efforts a good crop will be the result. Mr. Caldwell has been actively engaged in business here over a third of a century, always keeping in touch with the farmers, and his judgment may be counted on as sane and conservative.

Mr. George L. Thompson, one of the leading farmers of this section, when interviewed by your correspondent, expressed almost identically the same opinion. They both see little to worry about so far as the fertilizer situation is concerned.

McLeod's Friends Pleased.

Your correspondent, together with thousands of other friends in Robeson and the State at large, rejoice that the valiant and faithful services of Hon. George B. McLeod, senator from the county, have been more largely rewarded than that of any other Robesonian, in his appointment as representative of the Federal Trade Commission. While we are glad that our friend from early childhood has been so highly honored, we dislike the idea, even for the time being, of Mr. McLeod leaving Lumberton. Born and reared here, always of an optimistic nature, he made for himself thousands of friends who rejoice at the honor justly bestowed upon him. He is a man of most wonderful personality and pleasing demeanor, and is readily recognized as one of the cleverest Scotchmen of the whole Cape Fear section. The writer and George McLeod were schoolmates nearly 50 years ago; we have been in close touch with him most of the time from childhood to the present, and he is one man we have never seen take a drink of any kind of intoxicants or use tobacco in any form. In politics he has been a leader, his democracy never having been doubted. He served the county faithfully as sheriff for 12 years, was

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PRINTER'S "DEVIL" IS LEADER AT UNIVERSITY

Joe Linker, of Salisbury, Wins High Honor for 1915.

Story of the Career of this Ordinary Boy With an Unalterable Purpose is One of Inspiring Features—Works His Way.

(By R. C. VAUGHN).

Chapel Hill, Feb. 26.—To lead one's class in scholarship means much to the University student. But to lead the University with its 1,155 students is an honor which comes to but one man each term. And in winning that honor for the fall term of 1915 and at the same time working four hours a day as a "printer's devil" in order to defray his college expenses, Joseph Burton Linker, of Salisbury, added but another interesting chapter to his book of life.

Our story goes back nine years to the time when young Linker, then a barefoot boy of ten, attended the Salisbury grammar school. Even this early in life the determination to make his own way in the world possessed him. Every morning at five-thirty, rain or shine, young Linker started on his newspaper route. From six-thirty to eight he could be found down in the business section or around the depot, selling the morning papers. From eight to two he attended the grammar school. Then there followed three and one-half hours as a "printer's devil"—during which time he set type or ran the job or cylinder press. When the final edition of the evening paper came out, young Linker sallied forth into the street and sold papers until eight. After eight o'clock to use his own words, "I didn't have anything to do but sleep and get up my lessons."

Great Change Comes

This sort of humdrum existence went on for two or three years. Then a great change came over the boy. At school and on the streets he kept hearing people talk about the advantages to be derived from a college education. Most of the speakers seemed to be referring to the State University. They told wondrous tales about student life at the University, about the aims, purposes, and ideals of the school, and about the opportunities offered there to all classes, whether rich or poor.

From that time on Joseph Linker had a definite purpose unalterably fixed in his mind—he was going to the University.

The years passed. Young Linker was now a senior at the Salisbury high school. His determination to attend the University had become a passion, to satisfy which he was willing to do any kind of honorable work. He still adhered to his schedule of grammar school days,—namely, six hours a day in school, six to eight in the print shop and the rest of the time at home, studying and sleeping. And as the senior year drew near to a close, the time taken up in preparing his daily lessons increased, and the number of hours of sleep decreased. For young Linker was competing with a fellow classmate for the scholarship to the University. The contest was unusually fierce; and when the final returns were made, it was found that Linker had

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COLUMBUS POLITICS GETTING INTERESTING

Movement on Foot for Knitting Mill at Cerro Gordo.

Attorney General Bickett to Speak at Whiteville—Sunday School Convention Yesterday—Little Damage by Cold

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Whiteville, N. C., Feb. 26.—Interest in the State-wide primary to be held on June 4th is increasing by leaps and bounds, in so far as local officers are related, as likewise the race for congressman from the Sixth district, also an unknown quantity. The announcement was made in this paper a few days ago that A. M. Benton, of Evergreen, would again be a candidate for the lower house of the Legislature this time, and it is now definitely known that State Senator McRackan will also be in the race for the House at the June primary, and his friends are highly confident that he will be nominated by a safe majority.

It was rumored here today that T. E. Barden, at present county treasurer but whose office automatically expires in December next by reason of it having been abolished by the last Legislature, will be a candidate for sheriff against Sheriff J. T. Best, who is a candidate to succeed himself. J. R. Blake, of Chadbourn, is also an avowed candidate for the sheriffs office, and whether or not Pritchard Lennon, of Chadbourn, also will be a candidate is yet to be established, although it has been repeatedly rumored that he would.

The first announcement for county commissioner was made Thursday of this week, when it became known that Mr. F. B. Pierce, former chairman of the board, would be in the race this year. The present board will, in all probability, be candidates to succeed themselves, although some credence is given the report that Mr. K. B. Council, a member of the board now, will be a candidate for the Legislature.

Knitting Mill For Cerro Gordo.

Mr. C. E. Williamson, one of the leading business men of the thriving little town of Cerro Gordo, was here today and was asked about the proposed flour mill to be established at Cerro Gordo, and stated that this idea had been abandoned but that at a recent meeting of the stockholders of the Cerro Gordo Warehouse Company a committee was appointed to solicit stock for a knitting mill to be established there in the near future. Cerro Gordo is an ideal place for such a mill and with a building sufficiently commodious already erected the movement is given a decided impetus right at the start. The stockholders of the Cerro Gordo Warehouse Company, among whom are Mr. C. E. Williamson, Mr. D. W. Brown, Dr. J. C. Williamson, Mr. J. R. Williamson and others are behind the new enterprise and its success is practically asured.

Bickett to be Heard.

Attorney General T. W. Bickett, candidate for the Democratic nomination for governor, will be heard here on April 7th, the date announced by Superintendant Wooten for county commencement, in which all the schools of the county will participate. Mr. Bickett addressed the Confederate

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YOUNG CAROLINIAN SPENT MANY DAYS IN TRENCHES

James Gray, of Broadway, N. C., Tells Story of Fighting in Army of England—Was in Battle of Loos, Where Many Fell—British Forces Lost Heavily, But Managed to Repulse the Attack of the Germans.

James K. Gray, twenty years old, born in North Carolina, has just returned from France and England where he served 293 days in a British regiment and participated in several of the greatest battles so far fought in the European war. Gray tells an interesting and perhaps the first, authentic story of the fighting in Europe, so far brought to this country, says the Norfolk Virginian-Pilot.

He was a member of the Third Brigade first division Gloucestershire regiment during the battle of Loos. He returned to America against his own will, having been forced to come back by theAmerican consul, who discovered that he was an American minor and had enlisted against the wishes of his relatives. He was shot in the foot during a fight at Loos and spent two months in the Epsom hospital.

His discharge, which is an excellent one, bears the signature of Lieutenant Colonel G. H. Burges, commanding the Third Gloucestershire regiment. His home is at Broadway, N. C., a small village about five miles from Sanford, N. C. He left the United States on March 8, 1915, on the steamer Almora, which cleared from New Orleans for Avonmouth. It required 26 days to make the voyage on account of storms. The steamer was chased by submarines and was obliged to go 300 miles off its course to escape.

British Outnumbered Germans

"The battle of Loos began on September 25 and continued for three days," Gray declared. "The British forces were larger than the Germans, but the Germans outnumbered us in machine guns. They had about ten guns to our one.

"Among the British regiments participating in this battle, were the First, Second and Third Gloucestershire regiments, The King's Royal Rifles, The Eighth Lincoln Territorials and the Irish Guards.

"Our brigade was commanded by Colonel Pagan, whom we called "Patsy." We were in the trenches seventeen days before the fighting began. Our brigade was put to work digging ditches, while other regiments marched on. We were told that we would not be called upon to go into this particular battle, but we were among the first to be called upon.

"After digging trenches in the rear of our main force all day, we were ordered to the front at night. It was 4 o'clock in the morning before we reached the trench from which we were to fight and we were ordered to lie down and rest.

"We had hardly done so, when the Germans, who were not more than 500 yards away began firing on us. They opened with big guns and we were all called upon to fight. The battle was along a front of 26 miles, and the fighting was terrific.

"We sent our gas brigade after the Germans the first thing, but they did not appear to mind this much and a number of our men did not return.

Regiment Slaughtered.

"The First Welsh Regiment was sent into the fray and more than 800 men failed to return. The slaughter was terrific. Then the King's Royal Rifles came up from behind and we followed. We had been expecting reinforcements which did not arrive in time.

"We lost all but 253 men of our regiment, which originally numbered 900. We succeeded in taking the first, second and third trenches from the Germans, who had also suffered big losses. Expecting reinforcements we were ordered to skirmish over the open country after the Germans and we began to advance protected by a rapid fire from our machine guns.

"We were also protected by smoke bombs which our forces used to cover our advance and if possible fool the Germans. The enemy opened fire on the spot from where the smoke bombs were fired, while we were advancing in another direction. We reached a railroad and began digging another trench. The Germans thought we were in a woods nearby and directed their fire to that point.

"It was raining and we worked under great difficulties. The Germans finally located us and at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, began an attack from the front and rear. This battle continued until dark, without either side making any noticeable headway.

"Our machine guns drove the Germans back several times when they attempted to retake the lost ground by charge attacks.

"At 1 o'clock on the morning of September 26 while we were resting, we heard cheering. The Germans had gotten reinforcements and they came at us again. But they did not make much progress and our machine guns drove them back.

Fire on Each Other.

"It was at this point that we were fired on from the rear, by what we thought was another force of the enemy, but which turned out to be our own people. The Eighth Territorial regiment was coming to our assistance and advancing through a woods. They discovered us firing on the Germans from a trench and they thought we were part of the enemy forces. They opened fire on us, and a number of men were killed before the mistake was discovered.

"We were relieved by the Lincoln Territorials and were ordered back to a village which was used as supply station, where we had ammunition and water stored. We had only 253 men left in our regiment and we were all fagged out. We were just ready to eat breakfast when we were ordered back to the firing line. We were obliged to fight all day and at night we buried the dead.

"The number of dead was frightful. Some of the bodies were badly mutilated and they shone like phosphorus. The next day we were ordered to Bethune to secure reinforcements. We marched about 15 miles. The inforcements expected on Saturday did not arrive until Sunday. Had they come when expected, we might have won a great battle.

Got Lost in Fog

"When we returned with reinforcements we got lost in a fog. The guides, many of whom are employed to lead the British troops over strange land, got lost and we hunted around for two hours before we found the trenches. The firing had ceased on both sides. Neither side could see the trenches of the other.

"After marching all night, we were again put to work digging ditches. We worked on trenches for several days and by October 8 we had some good ones ready. The Germans were only 500 yards away.

"At 1:30 o'clock on the afternoon of October 8 the Germans came at us stronger than ever. They tried to capture our trenches by storm, and they poured out of trenches and over the open ground like big droves of cattle.

"Whole regiments were mowed down by our gunners. In one company every German except one man was killed. He came towards us with his hands over his head. He carried no gun and he shouted 'Comrades.' We made a prisoner of him and our officers secured some valuable information.

"After the battle we advanced to two trenches formerly occupied by the Germans. We found their trenches better arranged than our own. They were about ten feet deep with additional rooms, as we called them, about four feet lower. These rooms were equipped with tables and sleeping bunks. In one of them were found two dead women. They had been killed by gas from our lines.

"The South Wales Borders, who took part in these battles, did considerable fighting and relieved our regiment after the fighting on October 8. One of their companies lost all but twenty men in fighting that followed and only about 200 men were left in the entire regiment.

"After the fighting of October 8 we were idle for several days with a little skirmish on October 12 and 13 which did not amount to much.

"We were greatly annoyed at night by German snipers who succeeded in picking off our guards and killing or wounding our men whenever they stuck their heads out of the trenches.

Volunteers Get Snipers.

"We had considerable trouble in locating these snipers. It took us several days to find them. They would first appear at one position and then at another. We finally found them and our colonel asked for volunteers to drive them from their positions. Seven men volunteered from my regiment and I was among them. We carried hand bombs with us and we threw them at the Germans. The main line of the Germans opened fire on our volunteers and several of them were killed. It was during this little scrap that I was wounded and it resulted in my being

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GETTING BIG SHARE OF SOUTH AMERICA TRADE

Our Business There Increased $150,000,000 in 1915.

Wage Workers Earn More Than Doctors and Lawyers—New Craft to Chase Pirates—Gotham Gossip

New York, Feb. 26.—The amount of attention which has been attracted to the enormous shipments of munitions and foodstuffs to the warring nations in Europe has overshadowed the growth of American commerce in other fields, so it is somewhat surprising to find from figures which have been recently compiled that the trade of the United States with South American countries during the past year has increased about $150,000,000 over that of 1914. The increase in imports alone amounts to approximately $100,000,000.

The principal articles brought into the United States from South American countries during 1915 consisted of coffee, cacao and rubber from Brazil, wool from Argentina, and copper and iron from Chili. The fresh beef and corn imported from Argentina during 1915 amounted to less than half that of 1914. The total imports from South America during 1915 totalled $322,000,000, while the value of the exports from the United States was $145,000,000, an increase over the year 1914 of the total trade with that continent of $147,000,000. Another interesting feature in the development of foreign trade is the fact that dyes and dyestuffs are being received from new quarters of the world, owing to the embargo which England has placed on exports of dyes from Germany. During recent months large importations of dyes and dyestuffs have been received from China, which heretofore has never supplied this country with these materials.

In the discussion that has been started between representatives of the different orders of train operatives and officials of the railways regarding the demands of the labor men for an advance in wages which the railway officers assert would cost the roads, and ultimately the public, nearly $100,000,000, some interesting comparisons have been brought out. From this it appears that engineers and conductors who are the highest paid of all train

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Topic for Sunday, February 27, 1916.
EXTERMINATE THE SALOON. WHY? HOW?
Hab. 2: 1-14.

When the economic side of the saloon is aired and the public sees what a drain it is on the public purse, there is far less tendency to clamor for the taxes paid by the saloonkeepers. It doesn't take the merchant long to discover that the license fee paid by the saloonist is taken out of his till. Money which should go for bread and meat goes for beer. Saloons would soon go out of business if only the men who could afford to drink lined up at the bars. The saloon lives on the nickels and dimes it extracts from the breadwinners in humble families.

The general concensus of opinion is, that the alcoholic drink traffic is wrong. If you were to go out on the street and inquire of the first ten men you meet: "What do you think of the liquor traffic?" Nine of the ten will say at once, "The liquor traffic is a bad thing." They unanimously condemn it, and yet when these ten men go to the polls, over six of the ten will vote for the liquor traffic, thus sanctioning it.

The fact that nine out of ten men will condemn the saloon and yet that a majority will sanction it at the polls, makes it evident the saloon has an appeal, which even the men who vote for it do not recognize. For temperance workers to spend their energy talking to voters about their duty, is like barking at the moon. The proper course is, to study, find the appeal of the saloon, and submit a substitute.

The appeal of thirst. There is no doubt but what this appeal is active to a limited degree, especialy in the summer time. The remedy is, available drinking fountains supplying good water.

The appeal of hunger. This is an appeal on which the saloon flourishes, effecting men in the highest as well as the lowest walks of life. The recognition of this appeal would be a surprise to many good house wives, to think that the saloon should attract their business man husband on account of hunger, is inconceivable. To the hard working man, there comes a time between his five o'clock breakfast and the noon hour, when he feels slightly hungry. The business man or the banker eats a lunch after the theatre, and arises in the morning, appetite gone, and takes but a cup of coffee and a grape fruit. Before noon, both men have a longing for food. The saloon and its free lunch supplies the need. With this drink he eats a pretzel or small hot sandwitch which stays his stomach until noon. Thus, he has allowed the saloon to fill a need that he does not know really exists.

The social appeal. The social element of the saloon is a powerful factor, many men feeling more hospitable and able to lay the cares of the office or shop aside while they discuss a timely topic over an alcoholic drink.

Unattractive homes and the lack of love for the beautiful, as well as down right laziness, on the part of the wife, or homekeeper, is often the cause of the saloon being more attractive that the home.

Lack of Understanding and the realization on the part of the wife that the man has spent certain hours at high tension labor for her, and when he arrives home should have rest, is a contributing cause. Too often on his return in the evening, the husband finds the wife's work uncompleted, and wife tired and her mind accupied with trivial things. Thus in shifting the burden to his shoulders, she establishes an unconscious effort on his part, to spend certain times in the freedom of the saloon after his burdens have ceased, before going home to take up hers.

Strenuous and arduous labor in which the taking of a drink urges the nervous system onward, is a cause which should be remedied by a slowing down.

Lonesomeness particularly on the part of men away from home, family friends often allows the social life of the saloon to play a strong part.

The accommodation of the barkeeper. The saloon has an appeal of apparent brotherly-kindness and generosity. Trivial troubles are eliminated, as far as possible by the barkeeper. If change is desired, or you wish to leave a package, want to buy a lemon, or a piece of ice for a sick boy, it is all the same to him, he accommodates with a smiling face. The thought of forgetting your worries and troubles, let tomorrow take care of itself, is an appeal to which a tired brain is very susceptible.

To eliminate the saloon, it must be shorn of its attractions, which are like the attractions of the brightness of the flame to the moth. A few bright whirls and the moth falls a victim.

There is an appeal in the saloon, or it would not exist, so to eliminate it, the appeal must be found and supplied by a substitute, which will solve the question of "How Eliminate". Plan for this meeting a symposium, analysing the different appeals and give the remedy. Owing to the repulsive nature of the saloon's attractions to the average man, it would seem that the church should find a substitute, for on the side of the church is the home life, all the ties that the individual calls dear, prosperity, and respect. With an argument of this nature the careful study of the appeal of the saloon should enable the church to accomplish its elimination by the simple means of making the business unprofitable, as the present customers will prefer to live a normal life.

Just for a little let us consider the question of Heredity,—the dark picture. —In Exodue 20:5 and 6, we find that God does visit the iniquities of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate him; those who violate God's wonderful laws of living and thus pollute the stream of life.

Perhaps the most notorious example of this is the Jukes family of New York. From Max Jukes, a notorious drunkard, there descended in twenty-five years, 200 thieves and murderers, 280 invalids, attacked by blindness, idiocy or consumption; 90 prostitutes and 300 children who died prematurely. The various members of this family cost the state of New York more than a million dollars.

CHAS. M. ALEXANDER

Anyone who can sing and who does not ambrace the opportunity to make it possible to say: "I sang in one of Mr. Alexander's choirs," and anyone who loses a chance to say; "I have seen Mr. Alexander lead an audience in singing," loses something out of his or her life.

Charles M. Alexander, one of the evangelists at the Chapman-Alexander meetings to be held here, and the director of the singing, is the most noted Gospel choir leader in the world and his manner is not duplicated. He just makes everybody sing, and one who sees the sunshine in his face is seized with a desire to sing if for nothing more than to please him, and when he raises his arm with the appeal, "Come on! Everybody sing!" the desire is irresistible.

"A Gospel hymn is a sermon on wheels; it carries its own gasoline," said Mr. Alexander to a representative of the press. "You can hear ever so fine a sermon, but you can't go out and preach it. But if you hear a good hymn it sticks in your mind and you take it with you and it preaches to you right along. My aim in teaching hymns is not simply to see how well we can sing, but to fasten their message in the hearts of the people, to burn the messages into their minds."

And then in response to several questions, Mr. Alexander told some interesting facts concerning hymns and the compilation of hymn books. "The best compilers try out their hymns before publishing them," Mr. Alexander said. "If a man just gets together a lot of hymns that are favorites with him, the book will not go, because it isn't well balanced. You have to consider the various denominations and the various tastes. A hymn may be well written, but if it doesn't take with the people it better be thrown into the scrap heap. I usually publish a few in pamphlet form and try a few times and watch closely to get the verdict of the people. Those that go well are saved and the rest thrown away."

The writer noticed a large number of different volumes of hymns on Mr. Alexander's table and remarked: "I suppose you examine every hymn book that comes out?" to which Mr. Alexander replied: "Yes, and I have thousands of them at home."

In the course of his remarks the noted leader said that he had published 15 volumes himself, which ha had a combined circulation of about 4,000,000 copies. Four of these volumes were published for use in Australia, three in England, one in South Africa, one in Canada, and six in the United States. The red covered book now being used never has been used before except in Asheville, N. C. and Brattleboro, Vermont, and some of the hymns are to be sung here for the first time.

Mr. Alexander said he owned about 4500 copyrights of hymns. These include all the compositions of some of the best writers of Gospel hymn music like D. B. Towner and James McGranahan, and he will control the future output of some others, including George C. Stebbins.

The predecessor of Henry Barraclough at the piano in the Chapman-Alexander meetings was Robert Harknes, whose name is familiar to singers of Gospel Hymns as a prolific composer. Mr. Harknes is now with a London publishing house.

When the conversation drifted again to chorus singing, Mr. Alexander said that the largest choir he ever directed was in London and included 4000 persons.

Mr. Alexander varies the program by calling upon different groups to sing. In taking up a new hymn Mr. Barraclough usually plays it through first. Then perhaps Mr. Alexander will sing the chorus and then ask Mr. Brown, the Soloist, to sing a verse. Then in turn he may ask the choir, the girls, the boys, the ministers, the women, the men and then everybody in the house. Often he promises a hymn book or a Testament to some boy or girl who will stand and sing a verse. Interest never lags where Mr. Alexander is.

ODDEST THING IN STATE

Col. Fred Olds Sees Old Dutch Wind Mill at Castle Haynes Colony.

Col. Fred Olds, writing his Thumb Nail Sketches in the Raleigh Times, has the following of local interest:

"The writer travels much and far. The other day some one asked what was the oddest thing he had seen in his more recent journeys and was told that it was the little Dutch windmill on a Hollander's farm in Mr. Hugh MacRae's settlement at Castle Haynes, near Wilmington. The Dutchman, for only your Hollander is the real Dutchman, lives upstairs, while his cows occupy the floor below and look at you, big-eyed and placid. He and they look as if they had been transplanted bodily from his moist country across the ocean. In a field a few yards from his house he built the little windmill, the sails of which, four in number, look like paddles of cloth, shaped like the propeller of an aeroplane, except that the latter has only two blades. The Dutchman's art in building a windmill is to give exactly the right "pitch" or twist to these propellers and this he, thanks to the training of many centuries, has learned to do precisely well. So his tiny windmill, built at the cost of perhaps a dollar or two, turns itself to catch any favoring breath of air, almost operating in a calm, and grinds the corn and other foods for the poultry and the cattle. It is perhaps the only windmill with sails now in our North Carolina, while years ago there were scores of them up and down the coast country. Now all have fallen down and are but memories, so far as the writer has been able to discover, for gasoline or the new-fangled windmills which do not have sails, have come into vogue."

TEACHING BOYS TO SAVE.

A certain father has devised a rather novel plan to develop resisting power in his boys. Knowing the value of self-control, especially in money matters, he gives each boy a weekly allowance, with the stipulation that it must be carried in the pocket during the week, and only half of it spent. One boy receives twenty cents each week. If he produces a dime at the week end, he gets another twenty cents; if he doesn't he gets only a dime. The other boy receives a dime and must produce a nickel to get another dime. There is thus a constant opportunity to spend, but a constant incentive to save—to resist. It may be that the reward spurs them on, but the fact remains that this father is developing resisting power in the boys that will stand them in good stead in after years.

MOSTLY CONTEMPLATIVE

By T. W. Chambliss.

That which is novel today is commonplace tomorrow. The newspaper a few hours old is tossed aside as a worthless rag. History is being made with rapidity and at the same time there is a prevalence of unrest and discontent. A distinguished visitor from over the water was asked, as he arranged for his return home, to state his impression of this country. He surprised his questioner with his reply.

It was on this wise: The Americans are particularly distinguished for want of poise and composure. Unrest is seen in the avenue of trade and industry; in the feverish quest of fortune; in the ever-receding or the oncoming storm dependant upon the relatives of labor and capital; in conflicting currents of enterprise, of many sorts, which give to the stream, of financial affairs a look of turbulence. It is seen in the world of literary effort in the coming and passing of a literature which is for the most part ephemeral; it is seen in the social world, the rushing hither and thither of men and women searching for some new amusement; in the impulsive shifting of residence; in the mania for travel; in the religious world in the readiness to yield opinion and to adopt new and strange isms. It is seen everywhere in the craving for excitement and the itching for the sensational.

The distinguished foreigner may have been right and he may have been wrong. Maybe he was partially right. That does not matter. He has given ground for contemplation. Such a mood does seem to be upon the people and without spending time to consider the general bearings of the mood think of the causes which may have brought about the unrest. Discontent follows unsatisfied ambition. With the sunrise of life and on through the advancing day there is the expectation of successful effort. Dream children of the night beckon. Each passing day seems to find the goal still in the distance. The long and earnestly cherished end is not attained and disappointment follows. Mind and heart become fretful and discontent settles therein. It may be that in the place of the failure of attainment there is the loss of the thing attained—the possession of wealth and the knowledge of it having slipped through the fingers. Maybe friends have weakened their interest—friends gained through constant effort. Possibly there was a desire to work, the opportunity open and then came the hindrance of infirmity. Disappointment resulted. Discontent follows.

Life brings to the surface another distressing condition. The discontent of contact. Not the discontent of inefficiency nor of something lost after having been attained—but the discontent of the personal inequation. Magnificent is the wealth of the community displayed in consummate architecture and imposing equipage. What bitterness of spirit, what hurt of pride is concealed beneath the picture. Rivalry is the necessary spur to truest progress but when rivalry takes on the sharpness of envy, it becomes cruel and makes an angry wound.

Whatever may be the apparent cause of discontent, the real cause lies in the misconception of the source of happiness. We seem to be searching after happiness as though it were a prise concealed in our circumstances rather than a condition to be found within. "The kingdom of God is within you," said Jesus, and it was a great and true saying. He did not mean that there was no kingdom without, for there certainly is; it does not mean that it makes no difference what a man has to eat or drink or wherewith to be clothed; it does not mean that one should not be striving with every bit of his power to better his condition, materially and individually. It does mean that man's circumstances are but concomitants of happiness and at most the ministrants to it. Man may not expect to be fully satisfied this side of eternity but man has the right to except and seek contentment where it may be found. We will continue to want more and we should want more—to be content does not mean to be satisfied—it means being balanced and girded and sustained as the man strives toward the goal of his ambition.

Have a definite purpose. Much of the discontent and unrest of the world and age is due to a failure to concentrate energy and if obstacles develop, surspecific end. Having an easy time is very unfortunate. Have a definite work and go at it with all one's energy and of obstacles develop, surmount them. When you have overcome the difficulty, when you have borne the sorrow, when you have made the sacrifices—you will understand better the message of the Spirit.—"He that overcometh shall eat of the hidden manna." Robert Louis Stevenson said he wanted on his tomb this epitaph, "He clung to his paddle." It was a famous mountain-climber, who after making a successful ascent of the Matterhorn, was asked if the view repaid him and he answered, "No, the reward was not the view, but it was making the successful climb." Contantment comes at the conclusion of the successful struggle in life's contest.

JURY TRIAL FOR CRABTREE.

Lenoir County Man Charged With Brutal Treatment of Son.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Kinston, N. C., Feb. 26.—The case against C. W. Crabtree, arrested Wednesday night for tieing up and beating his 17-year-old son, has been set for Tuesday in the recorder's court here. Crabtree will be tried by jury. That the defendant's alleged crime was not nearly so heinous as was indicated by state witnesses and the officers who made the arrest is said to be the conviction of a part of the authorities. Crabtree, who admitted that he whipped the boy because he would not go to school, is said to have resorted to seemingly severe measures to discipline the husky youngster. Friends of the acused man doubt if he was cruel in punishing the lad.

SIGNS INCORPORATION BILLS.

Governor Stuart to Appoint Commission to Govern Hopewell, Va.

Richmond, Va., Feb. 26.—Governor Stuart today signed the bills incorporating the town of Hopewell. He will appoint an administrative commission to conduct the city's affairs until July 1, when an election for mayor and other officials will be held. It is said there are not enough qualified voters in the town to officer it.

You'll Enjoy
a stroll on the beach this afternoon.
(Advertisement.)

MEN LIKE THE MISSION

Enormous Crowds.

One of the striking characteristics of the Chapman-Alexander meetings is the large attendance of men, not infrequently half of the audience being men. Why this is so is explained by an Australian correspondent:

If there are many critics of the Chapman-Alexander Mission in Adelaide they ought to go to the meetings for the answer. They will read it in big letters—big crowds (growing to ten thousand at one service), big enthusiasm, (had there ever been anything to approach it?), and a big-spirited admiration for those at the wheel of this splendidly equipped revival ship. The emotions of men are not easily stirred, but the daily gathering at the Town Hall is a study in genuine, emphatic earnestness. Businessmen have full diaries, but they go to hear these addresses and listen to the singing not once, but often. A large audience today; a larger one tomorrow. Soon the Town Hall will not offer accommodation enough.

What Draws Them?

On Monday the assembly was almost familiar—so consistently have the attendances been maintained, and the same men gone there. In the dress circle was a sprinkling of lawyers. Some of them sang from the red book On the floor were the heads of important firms; most of them seemed to know the hymns, too. Altogether it was a magnificent concentration of busy men, from indifferently clother artisans to the aristocracy of white shirts and cuffs. What draws them?

This does. The rightdown sincerity of men behind the mission and the plain fascination of their methods. They do not seek notoriety by appealing whimsically to tactics, a flourish of rhetoric, or pulpit gymnattics. They do not stand on a pedestal of spiritual superiority and look down with infinite pity at the mob. They mix up in the crowd, become units of it, and fling comments and advice at themselves as well as at you.

Mr. Alexander can not help smiling and letting happy sentences slip off his tongue. He is a personality of overflowing exuberance, and it must have an outlet. Any blame there? Surely not. Those arms do not wave or that body sway out of pure effect. The man is filled with simple, unaffected joy of leading a crowd in singing Gospel Hymns. The tactics are perfectly legitimate, just because they are perfectly natural, acting in obedience to a nature which is music itself.

Dr. Chapman's fine eloquence is a part of him. It is the manifestation of a deep-rooted conviction about the plain old truths of the Gospel, and the need for somebody to tell the people about them. He can do that in words that burn into men's hearts. This man does not preach; he talks, converses, argues, makes the whole business a personal dialogue. The range of his emotion is from verbal rifle fire to the thunder of artillery. There is a soothing note in the voice and the booming cadence of attack. It rises and falls in a melody of appeal. And you think—if you have any sort of imagination at all. The sentences are clear, direct, penetrating with a sword trust in them, and a push to carry the point right home. This is the kind of theology the world wants—the illumination of vital old-time truth without the disturbing technicalities of doctrine. Strip religion of these and give the straight-out Gospel message—that's what the people ask for. And Dr. Chapman supplies the demand. It is the pure logic of Christianity.

Facial Sunshine.

Off with a swing! Mr. Alevander gets goins quickly and well. Nothing like a good start. He jumped on a chair, had a keen lookaround at that immense gathering of men—and a few women whom they can't keep out—and just smiled. It was full of gratitude, that bit of facial sunshine. The crowd caught the rays and smiled too—the gallery, every chair full,—smiled: the dress circle (people standing behind it) smiled: and the solid mass on the floor smiled. Mr. Alexander's merry face did it. And so the audience and the men controlling it just then were on excellent terms—a certain responsive sympathy and inspiration animated the whole building. The proper atmosphere had been created for the Gospel songs. So they began to sing "Fifty-Six."

Hymns with Hooks.

The crowd grips the tune and it becomes a rousing melody immediately. These hymns catch all right, as with hooks. "Will any man in the audience sing a verse?" Mr. Alexander makes a smiling appeal. There is a hesitancy,—"Adelaide, where is your courage?" A young fellow rises and puts a full heart into the rendering. Then comes a bit of credulous inoffensive satire—"Do you live in Adelaide?" Of course he did. Well, Mr. Alexander was proud of him. Is the audience cold? The sunny "Choirsmith" does not know what cold is himself. So he shouts out—"You'll have to get warm, so there. Stand up and sing this 55 out. Perspire if you like." A wave of vocal sound sweeps around the whole building, from the gallery down and all through the densely packed hundreds below. The people have hardly resumed their seats before—"Come on, 112. I've heard this sung to 3,000 drunken men. Dante couldn't have painted that picture in tones awful enough. The old tune stirred them to tears, got right hold of their hearts." A verse is sung. At the end of each line Mr. Alexander throws a comment. This is something like the result:

Once he was pure as morning dew,
"Watch the words."
As he knelt at his mother's knee,
"Get the pathos of it."
No face was so bright; no heart more true.
"Isn't that just beautiful?"
And none was so sweet as he.
"My isn't that grand?"
"Well, sing it," he thundered. "Put conviction in the words—make them ring—"

More hymns—first only the gallery, the dress circle followed, after them the body of the hall, and then "Altogether." The volume increased in a fervor that rose to the roof, and flowed by the very energy of its earnestness out of the doors to busy clattering streets.

Get This

Dr. Chapman rose quietly, as he always does. His well-braced figure shows that the preacher practices physical as well as spiritual discipline. The Twenty-third Psalm is read with a new force to many, a simple petition precedes the Lord's Prayer. The sermon was another triumph of simplicity. Everybody could understand it. Everybody could grip its message. It was about Pilate and the trial of Christ—the old story recited with refreshing and sparkling vividness—"If ever a man in the world's history had an opportunity for greatness it was Pilate." Just a quiet statement, that, but people listened for the next. It came with a stamp of the foot and a finger thrust to the crowd, as if to say—"Get this." Here it is—"Yet like many men living in modern times the door of opportunity was opened, and closed again—and lost."

SUNDAY SERVICES

First Baptist church, Fifth and Market streets, Rev. W. M. Craig, acting pastor: Sunday school in the morning at 9:45. Preaching at 11 by Rev. C. J. Thompson. The B. Y. P. U. will meet at 6:30. Preaching the evening at 7:30 by Rev. Jas. A. Clarke. Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at 8. A cordial welcome to all services.

Calvary Baptist church, Rev. J. A. Sullivan, pastor: Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Sermon subjects: Morning, "Stewardship;" evening, "The Blood." Boys' Club and Junior B. Y. P .U. meets at 10. Deacons' meeting at 3 in the afternoon. Sunday school at 3:30. Training class and teachers' meeting Tuesday night. Prayer meeting Wednesday night. Senior B. Y. P. U. Thursday night. Sunbeams Friday afternoon at 3:30. Song service Friday night. A hearty welcome to all services.

Fifth Avenue Methodist church, Rev. J. H. Shore, pastor: Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30 by the pastor. Subjects of sermons: Morning, "The Church That Gave Too Much"; evening, "The Most Certain Thing in the World." Sunday school at 9:45. Epworth League Tuesday evening at 8. Prayer service Wednesday evening at 8. A welcome to all who will attend these services.

St. James' church, Rev. W. H. Milton, D. D., rector: Morning prayer and sermon at 11. Evening prayer and sermon at 7:45. Organ recital at 7:30. Everybody welcome.

Bladen Street Methodist church, Rev. J. P. Pate, pastor: Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Sunday school at 3 in the afternoon. A cordial welcome to all.

St. Matthew's Lutheran church, Fourth and Harnett stdeets, Rev. G. W. McClanahan, pastor: Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 7:30. Subjects of sermons: Morning, "Gospel Sowing;" evening, "Paul's Victories." Sunday school at 3:30 in the afternoon. Wednesday evening service at 8. All cordially invited to attend these services.

St. Paul's Lutheran church, Market and Sixth streets, Rev. F. B. Clausen, pastor: Preaching in the morning at 11 and in the evening at 8. Sermon topics: Morning, "A Portrait of a True Christian"; evening, "Man—His Significance and Greatness." Sunday school in the afternoon at 3:30. Visitors welcome at all times. Mengert Missionary Society will meet Monday afternoon at 3:30. The Christian Association will meet Monday evening at 8.

Christian Science Society, church edifice Seventeenth and Market streets. —Services in the morning at 11. Subject, "Christ Jesus." Sunday school at 12:15. Testimonial meeting Wednesday evening at 8:15. Free reading room in the Murchison National Bank Building, open daily, except Sundays and holidays, from 4 to 6:30 in the afternoon. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the reading room.

St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Fifth Ave. and Ann street: First mass in the morning at 7. Last mass and sermon at 10:30. Vespers in the evening at 8.

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SIXTH INSTALLMENT

SYNOPSIS.

Little Helen Holmes, daughter of General Holmes, railroad man, is rescued from imminent danger on a scenic railroad by George Storm, a newsboy. Grown to young womanhood Helen saves Storm, now a fireman, her father, and his friends Amos Rhinelander, financier, and Robert Seagrue, promoter, from a threatened collision. Safebreakers employed by Seagrue steal General Holmes' survey plans of the cut-off line for the Tidewater, fatally wound the general and escape. Her father's estate badly involved by his death, Helen goes to work on the Tidewater. Seagrue uses Spike to set fire to a powder train hauled by Storm's engine. Helen saves Storm from a horrible death. Helen recovers the survey plans from Seagrue, and though they are taken from her, finds an accidentally made proof of the survey blueprint. Storm, employed by Rhinelander, wins a fight with Seagrue's men for possession of a consignment of railroad ties.

HELEN'S WILD RIDE

Helen spied him the minute she stepped inside Rhinelander's hut to deliver the telegram—a small, fluffy bundle of black and white, lying curled up tightly on Rhinelander's cot, as if this was the haven of warmth and refuge he long had sought. "Where," demanded Helen of Rhinelander, and emphasizing each word in amazement, "did you get that dear, little dog?"

"That dear, little dog," explained Rhinelander, with corresponding emphasis, "is the last addition to my already overburdened pay roll."

"What's his name? Who," demanded Helen in delight, "put him on?"

"He just got hold with his teeth and hung on. He blew into camp the other day, the tiredest, orneriest, hungriest looking cur you ever saw.

Rhinelander reread his telegram:

Rhinelander,
Signal:
Monthly pay roll on No. 4. H.

"Say, this is news; best I've had this week. The pay roll is overdue three days and these Greeks and Mexics are a suspicious bunch. What's your hurry?" he asked as Helen made ready to go.

"I must run," said Helen. "I'm alone this morning."

"Don't be in a rush; I'm going over that way myself," returned Rhinelander, picking up his hat. "The pup will keep house a few minutes."

Leaving the hut door open, Rhinelander, accompanied by Helen, started for the station. Two good comrades as well as devoted friends, Helen and he laughed and joked along their way, watched from the farther end of the camp by Spike, who, in disgrace, chafed, half in hiding, awaiting some opportunity for mischief to turn up—something that would release him from honest idleness.

It was to be an irony of fate that now made of the homeless dog an instrument to serve the purpose of the restless criminal. The puppy, alone, in the tent, refreshed by his nap, invigorated by his breakfast, and impelled, Rhinelander would have said, by the devil, looked about for something to interest him. Seizing the telegram in his sharp teeth, the dog started to tear it to pieces. At that juncture an inquisitive squirrel, pausing before the open door, peered sharply into the hut.

To the dog, this looked like a formal challenge. He was so overcome by the impudence of it that he sprang from the table, forgetting to put the telegram back where it belonged. Away he dashed, telegram in teeth, after the squirrel.

There was but a single spectator of this dash—the brooding Spike. As the dog tore past Spike the telegram dropped from his mouth almost at the convict's feet, and idly picking the paper up Spike opened and read it:

Rhinelander,
Signal:
Monthly pay roll on No. 4.

Brief though the message was, it contained enough news to arouse Spike.

Casting only a glance in the direction of the fleeing dog, Spike clutching his find, hurried toward Seagrue's camp and lost no time in covertly showing him the message, without explaining how it had fallen into his hands.

Seagrue, reading the telegram, saw the moment he looked at Spike, what was in the convict's mind.

"Well?" he growled, regarding his tool curtly.

Seagrue studied the message: "It wouldn't be a bad idea to get hold of the stuff a while, anyway," he mused. "It's behind time now, I understand; and I hear the men over there are getting restless about not getting their money. If you could hold it up on Rhinelander a few days, you might work up a strike."

"How far do you want to go with this thing?" demanded Spike, casting a vicious eye on his employer.

"I don't care how far you go," said Seagrue, "provided you hold up that pay roll."

Spike left the camp. No more than a moment's reflection was needed to suggest an idea to him. Returning to the station, he got a long distance telephone wire and called up two of his friends at Oceanside—Sykes, a convict acquaintance, and a chum of Sykes, who, in various encounters with the law, had lost all of his name but "Dan."

In jailbird jargon Spike explained to Sykes, who answered the telephone, the possibilities of a haul at Signal. Dan, standing near Sykes in the room they occupied together, asked questions and prompted his companion, who tried to get from Spike—reluctant to talk much on the wire—a description of the lay of the land. Spike bluntly told them in the end to stow it and take the job or leave it as they liked. However, the two criminals got enough from him to decide that a third man was indicated and they called into their conference a crooked safe expert, known only by his nickname of "Bat, the Bat."

When No. 4 pulled into Signal next morning three men dropped off the hind end. They made up the criminal gang that Spike had engaged to rob Rhinelander, and, knowing the loot was expected on the train that carried them, two of the men kept the front end of the train well in view until they had watched Lyons and Helen take the package of money from the express messenger, and after receipting for it walk with Rhinelander into the station. Inside of the office Rhinelander examined the shipment of currency.

"I have no safe at the camp, Lyons," explained Rhinelander when the agent asked him to receipt for the package. "Keep it here for me in your safe until tomorrow." He pushed the open package of bills back through the wicket of the counter, but in doing this he accidentally overturned a bottle of ink.

Helen screamed a little and jumping aside caught up a piece of cloth from the letter-press stand, wiped the ink off the bills as best she could and turned them over to Lyons, who took the big package within his charge and placed it carefully in the safe. Not, however, without having been observed by two of the Oceanside criminals who were loitering just then outside the office window.

Turning away before they were discovered, these men—Sykes and Dan—were joined by the third member of their expedition, and the three headed for Rhinelander's camp to hunt up Spike. They encountered him on the way over to the station to look for them. A consultation was held in the woods. The four were now assured that the money had come and they knew where it had been put. To the safe expert was left the details, and when these had been arranged to suit him the quartet scattered. That evening they might have been seen hovering around the station about the time that Helen and Lyons were closing up for the night. Indeed, the latter had hardly locked the station door before Spike, watching his opportunity, signaled his assistants to the freighthouse window. This, without ceremony, they broke open and entering the telegraph office from the freightroom took possession of the premises.

The man known as The Bat, the master mind of the visiting trio, at once got down in front of the safe for an examination. It took him only a moment to throw back the bolts and swing the door open amid the suppressed applause of his companions.

They took the pay roll package out just as Lyons had placed it within the safe. But the easy triumph of the expert and the congratulations of his friends did not seem enough to satisfy him. To make the job artistic, he directed his assistants to get together some brown paper, and after they had taken the bills from the package, he filled it with waste paper, rewrapped the package carefully and

1—"I don't Care How Far You Go," Said Seagrue, "Provided You Hold Up That Pay Roll."

2—"Thieves Took the Pay Roll—They Are on This Train!"

3—The Convicts Swam to the Nearest Bank.

replaced it just as he had found it in the safe.

Leaving by the same way they had entered the building, the quartet took their way to Seagrue's camp. He listened to all that Spike had to say and at once advised sending the three safe blowers back to the city. This, however, it was decided, after a brief conference, would not do, as Spike needed somebody to help him foment a disturbance next day. In the end, a compromise was effected, by which The Bat was sent to town while Sykes and Dan were kept over night to aid in stirring up Rhinelander's men.

The following day had already been announced in Rhinelander's camp as pay day. When Helen and Lyons arrived at the office in the morning for duty they found Rhinelander waiting to take the money. Lyons, very willing to be rid of his responsibility, opened the safe and unsuspectingly turned over to Rhinelander the package he had placed in it the afternoon before.

When the construction boss reached his camp, the men were lined up outside his tent waiting for their pay. Passing within, Rhinelander cut open the package. To his consternation he found only brown paper instead of currency. Stunned by the revelation and breathless with amazement, he made his way, white-faced, back to the station for an explanation.

Rushing into the office he threw the doctored package down before Lyons and Helen. The two paled in turn with excitement and each of the three looked blankly into the faces of the others.

Helen looked at Rhinelander with the utmost sympathy. He took the catastrophe hard. Much had transpired within recent weeks to try his endurance and this seemed a climax to all the misfortunes that had gone before.

Rhinelander wiped his brow and turned, dejected, from the counter. He had not the heart to wire Oceanside of the calamity. The first thing necessary, in any event, was to make an effort to appease the men and, starting to his camp he attempted to do this. The men, made uneasy by Rhinelander's sudden disappearance after his promise to pay, were grumbling around Wood, the foreman, who was using his best efforts to quiet them. Rhinelander now reappeared from the station, but empty-handed. He brought with him the rifled package, showed this to Wood and to the men, explained that he had been robbed and told the men they would have to wait.

Those closest in the group that crowded around him had been primed for a disturbance by Spike and his two confederates. They sneered at Rhinelander's statements and told him they wanted their pay. Lyons, hurrying over from the station, reported to Rhinelander that the express company and the chief special agent's office had been notified of the robbery and detectives were on the way. But while Wood and Lyons argued with some of the disaffected, Spike and his companinons lured others of them to a hut on the edge of the camp limits, where a sort of blind pig was in operation. Here Spike, spending money freely, plied the grumbling laborers with liquor and advised them to stand on their rights and refuse to work if their money was not at once forthcoming.

Rhinelander made up his mind not to dodge the issue and he assured such of the men as would listen that if they would give him a little time he would replace the pay roll on his personal credit; and that no one should lose a cent through the accident. The difficulty was to get the men to listen. The strike idea spread through the camp like an infection, and reason was for the moment completely forgotten. Spike, perceiving the mischief well under way and anxious to get the two city criminals out of the way before the detectives from headquarters should arrive and round-up the camp for suspects, directed Sykes and Dan to "beat it" back to town on the local passenger.

At this time a sudden and unexpected complication arose. With Spike, the party returned to the shack for a final drink, and when they left it, Sykes and Dan started for the station. But a lighted match carelessly thrown to the ground inside the hut, falling among rubbish, had ignited it, and almost before the pair reached the station the hut was on fire.

Entering the waiting room with his companion, Sykes bought tickets from Helen for the city. When with Dan he walked out on the platform, the local train had pulled in and the crew were looking at the fire in Rhinelander's camp.

Sykes and Dan boarded the train at the moment it pulled slowly out. In the office, while Helen was putting away the bill with which Sykes had paid for the tickets, her attention was arrested by a blot of ink on the edge of it. With a woman's intuition, she realized almost at once that the ink-stained bill was one of those stolen from the express package the night before. Running out on the platform, she told Lyons of the discovery. But at that moment Lyons was too much concerned in the fire, now rapidly spreading across the camp, to give the necessary attention to what Helen said, and together with a lineman who had just stopped his little speeder car before the station, the agent hurried over to the camp to see what assistance could be rendered Rhinelander and his men.

Helen, frantic as she saw the train pulling away with the burglars, looked around for help. Nothing seemed to offer in any direction and she turned distractedly back to the office to wire Oceanside when her eye fell on the speeder, deserted a moment before by the lineman.

With a start she turned to it, took hold of the handles, pushed the car forward a length, found it responded to her touch, and hardly giving thought as to whether she could manage the machine, conceived, as it began to pick up speed, that possibly she could overtake the departing train.

Catching at the inflammable material with which its path was freely spread, leaping from tent to tent and hut to hut, licking up the canvas and eating rapidly into the flimsy wooden structures that barred its way, engulfing machinery, wagons and equipment in its quick advance, fire, fanned by the north wind and its own suction, tore along like a whirlwind, with Rhinelander and his gang doing their best to check it. By the time the train had reached the vicinity of the camp, the fire had jumped the track and the flames rose on all sides as the local headed through them.

Close behind the train, Helen, running the lineman's speeder, was doing her utmost to attract the attention of the train crew. Their eyes were fixed on the fire. It seemed doubtful whether the train could get past the blaze. In any event, the men were too much absorbed with their own situation to regard Helen, though she was rapidly overtaking them. Unable to attract a single eye to her own perilous position—for as she entered the patch of conflagration, heat and smoke blinded and threatened to overcome her—Helen determined at any cost to overhaul the fleeing train and board it. Letting out the motor car to its highest speed and crouching low in the seat from the smoke and flames, holding her breath and setting her teeth, Helen sped through the angry fire, and gained on the fast-moving train until but a slight gap separated the nose of her speeder from the rear platform. Then mounting on the footboard of the roaring little motor, she sprang with all her strength to the observation platform of the rear car.

The conductor and brakeman, looking back at that moment from the coaches to watch the fire, discovered the pursuing speeder. The two started back for the rear platform and they reached it just as Helen landed in front of them from her jump.

"What in the world?" demanded the conductor, as he looked from the excited girl to the deserted lineman's car, now falling back in the race it had maintained with the train. "What in thunder," he again demanded of Helen, in simple good faith, "are you trying to do, Miss Holmes?"

Helen, short of breath and wild with excitement, tried to explain: "Mr. Rhinelander," she said, between gasps, "was robbed yesterday. Thieves took his pay roll from our safe last night. They left bunches of brown paper in the package. They are both on this train!" she cried. "They have the money. We must get them or he'll be ruined, if he isn't ruined now by this terrible fire. You must help me, conductor, both of you."

"But how do you know?" demanded the conductor. "Who are the men? What are you going to do? You can't arrest them. They'd blow our heads off if we tackled them. Do you know them when you see them? What evidence have you got they stole the money—or have it?"

"I know," returned Helen, panting, "because two of them just bought tickets from me and handed me one of the stolen bills. We upset a bottle of ink when the money was put away. The bill they gave me for their tickets had ink on the edge which I wiped off when I put the money away. You must help me arrest them."

The conductor was game. He drew a revolver from his hip, examined it, put it back in his side coat pocket and bade Helen come along with him to identify the suspects. "You point out the men," he said simply. "I'll do the rest."

Followed by the brakeman, the two walked forward. It was rather a long train, and the conductor, knowing that no search but a thorough one would be of any consequence, passed with Helen through the coaches, examining every nook and corner and giving her a chance to peer carefully into every passenger's face as they made their way ahead.

The conductor could not be hurried, and the search went all too slowly for Helen, who feared what did, in fact, presently occur. Sykes and Dan, uneasy in the fear of special agents on their trail, were on the alert. They sat near the front door of the smoker, and as Helen and the conductor began at the rear end of the car to look over the passengers, Sykes, espying Helen, quietly slid through the front door—left open to let the smoke out—to the platform, Dan following. They sat down on the steps looking for a good place to jump off. While the conductor was walking forward, with Sykes casting furtive glances in at him through the front window, the train drew near the San Pablo river. "I'm off here," growled Sykes to his confederate briefly.

Dan protested; a jump was not to his taste, but Sykes, the big fellow, did not hesitate. The train was crossing the San Pablo. Sykes leaped from the step into the river, Dan reluctantly following suit.

Helen, through an open window of the smoker, saw Sykes' jump. She caught the conductor's arm and begged him to stop the train. He pulled the cord, and with the conductor and brakeman after her, Helen ran to the front platform. The train slowed. In the river, Sykes and Dan were swimming. Helen made ready to drop off. The conductor and brakeman tried to dissuade her; they could not.

"You'll have to go alone, I can't leave this train," shouted the conductor to her.

Helen only waved her hand as she dropped to the ground.

Luckily, she had not been seen by the men she was after, but a further obstacle threatened. The convicts had swum to the nearest bank and were now across the river from Helen. A passing boat was awaiting the draw, and the moment the train passed, the jackknife had been started up by the bridge tender. Helen was running to get to the other side before it was too late. Sykes and Dan, ashore, were hurrying away, and the ponderous jackknife was rising under Helen's fleeing feet. The draw span, already high in the air, made a widening gap between her and the abutment, but Helen, running to the rising end, jumped from it recklessly to the abutment below. She landed, bruised, on the track, but she picked herself up and sped on after the fugitives.

The river bridge is at no great distance from Oceanside, but Helen's breath was pretty well exhausted before Sykes and Dan reached a suburban street car and boarded it. So close was she after them that she gained one platform just as the two men stepped up on the other. Concealing herself behind a seat, Helen hid in terror, but with all their astuteness the criminals failed to discover her. When the two left the car in the city, Helen was again relentlessly on their heels. Following them vigilantly she intercepted an officer, told him of her chase, and he instantly joined her in the pursuit of the men, now disappearing in the distance.

Turning into an obscure street, the criminals entered a doorway and started up a long flight of stairs, Helen with her policeman hard behind. Looking back from the first landing, the convicts now saw their pursuers. Springing up a second flight of stairs, they knocked hurriedly at the first door. It was opened by their confederate, The Bat, who, inside the room, had been diverting himself by counting the stolen money.

"They're after us," exclaimed Sykes to him. "We've got to get out of here. Beat it, Bat. The girl and the cop are on the stairs."

"Make for the roof," cried The Bat. The hard-pressed pair ran for the trap ladder. The Bat, keeping to his room, slammed the door shut. Once through the trap door, which Sykes and Dan dropped behind them, and on the roof, the pair imagined themselves safe, but Helen and her officer were close behind, and when they found the trap door closed against them the officer drew his revolver and fired up through it.

On the outside, Sykes and Dan jumped back like rabbits from the shots. Helen and her helper threw open the trap door unopposed, and, gaining the roof, faced the convicts. Nowhere could the robbers find an avenue of escape on the top of the building, and cornered like rats as Helen and the policeman reached them, they put up a hand-to-hand fight.

The officer tackled Sykes, the more powerful of the pair, and Dan, seeing his opportunity for a flank movement, tried to regain the trap door. Helen pounced on him like a panther. He tried to throw her off. Despite his blows and struggles, he could not get rid of his tenacious assailant, and locked in a life and death struggle they fought, reckless of consequence, nearer and nearer to the edge of the roof. For a moment both their lives were in peril, but Helen, her fighting blood up, would have clung to her prisoner if it had cost her life.

Providentially the harried man, fast losing his nerve under her frantic attack, and pushing to the edge of the parapet in the wild assault, flung Helen violently off in an effort to throw her over the roof parapet to her death. In his terrific effort he lost his balance. With a scream he tried to recover his foothold. Helen, seeing his desperate plight, would have caught him to save his life, but fortunately for herself she could not reach him in time. Had she done so, her own death would have been inevitable, for Dan, swaying wildly, slipped again. He caught with a fearful curse at the empty air. It was too late for anyone to aid him now, and the next instant he had plunged headlong off the roof to his death.

Helen turned to the officer, who, in a grapple with Sykes, was fighting in the grasp of the powerful criminal, to save himself from being hurled through an adjacent skylight.

Below the two, the fat man, Bat, looking up, beheld his confederate in the grip of the law. Helen was too late to aid the officer to save himself, but the plucky policeman gripped Sykes around the neck as he plunged forward himself, and before the fat man in the room, watching apprehensively could draw a full breath, the two men crashed violently through the skylight together almost on top of him. As it was, they landed in a heap on the bed. The Bat sprang at once on the helpless policeman. It would have gone hard with him but for instant aid from Helen. She dropped down the open skylight, caught the revolver from the officer's hand and held the two criminals at the point of it until the policeman could slip handcuffs on them. When the two men were secured, Helen demanded the stolen money.

The man Bat did most of the talking. Unabashed and unafraid, he met Helen's inquisition without batting an eyelash. Had she not been absolutely sure of her ground his coolness would have deceived her.

"I don't know what you are talking about," he said jovially, while Helen's accusations were launched at him. "I am a piano tuner, officer. I don't know this man," he pointed calmly at Sykes. "I never saw him in my life till he smashed my skylight. What do you three mean, anyway, by breaking into my room? I'll put the blue-sky laws on you. Who's going to pay for all this glass?" he demanded with an injured air. "The landlord is going to come after me for it. I'll have your whole bunch arrested the minute I get to the police station. I don't know anything about your money. I don't believe you've got any money or have had any."

"What did you attack the policeman for as soon as he dropped into the room?" cried Helen, indignantly.

"Why, miss, I am near-sighted. I thought that man was a piano tuner when I saw him—a man that's tried to let the light into me two or three times with a gun—it's a fact!"

The officer shut off The Bat's talk, and Helen, with the astuteness of a detective, searched him, with the result that from his various pockets she recovered every package of the bills stolen from the safe, and nearly all of them intact.

The fat man lost none of his nerve when confronted with the result. He declared he had been made the victim of a plot, that his character and reputation were known everywhere in the city—which was quite true. And having denounced all unwarranted intrusions such as he had been made the victim of, he resigned himself to go as prisoner with a much better grace than his sullen companion did. They were taken together to the police station.

Helen telephoned immediately for a motor car, and, accompanied by her friendly officer, and with the money safely stowed away on her person, she stepped into the car and ordered it driven in haste to Signal. Fast as the landscape flew by it did not keep pace with Helen's impatience. They drew in sight of Rhinelander's camp. Smoke still rose from where the fire had threatened its complete destruction. Rhinelander and Wood, with their men, had finally extinguished the conflagration, though not until a heavy toll of damage had been taken by the flames. Helen caught sight of Rhinelander just as the car raced up to the camp, and alighting called him joyfully to her, waving the money, in her great excitement, in her hands.

"It's here," she cried. "Most every bit of it."

"What do you mean?"

"The pay roll! We've got it—all of it—the money stolen from the safe. It is here in this package."

Rhinelander, half dazed, could hardly ask explanations. Bit by bit Helen told the story. Her foster uncle caught her in his arms, money and all. Together—the men crowding around—they walked with the recovered treasure through the half-burned camp.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

THEATRICAL

The William Fox filmization of the immortal opera, "Carmen," starring the world's famous "Vampire Woman," which is announced for showing one day only at the Royal next Tuesday, is absolutely the greatest photo-production of this celebrated opera ever attempted, representing an outlay of many thousands of dollars and many months of work. It is stated that the Fox production was started at the same time as the Geraldine Farrar version, and that the Fox version took two months longer to film than the Paramount picture.

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Tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock the Victoria Family Theatre inaugurates its joyous season of popular-priced musical comedy productions, presenting McGeorge's Overland Girls Company the entire week, the opening bill for Monday and Tuesday being a rapid-fire comedy sketch, "The Hotel Bric-A-Brac." An entirely new show will be put on Wednesday and again Friday, giving three different shows every week.

McGeorge's Overland Girls Company is an aggregation of talented vaudeville and comedy stars who, besides doing their turn in the comedy sketch named above, present some of the newest and brightest vaudeville acts seen south of the Mason and Dixon line in many months. It's a class of attractions which Wilmington has never had, being the happy medium between vaudeville and tabloid musical comedy, or a combination of both. Three great comedy teams present convulsing comedy sketches, and the dancing chorus composed of pretty girlies, with catchy costumes, and some of the newest and brightest songs and dances of the season, make this one of the most enjoyable aggregations which the South has had the privilege of seeing.

Two night shows will be given at 7:30 and 9 o'clock every evening. Five weeks of the very best out of New York City have already been booked and Wilmington amusement lovers may now rest assured of a pleasant place to spend a couple of hours any evening, with good, clean and original entertainment features at their service.

Blanche Sweet Tomorrow

Blanche Sweet, the beautiful photo-dramatic star, will be seen at the Royal tomorrow, in the Jesse L. Lasky production of "The Ragamuffin," written by Wm. C. DeMille, the noted American dramatist, who also directed the making of the picture.

Miss Sweet, since her first appearance on the screen, has, by her wonderful dramatic instinct and charming personality, youth and beauty, placed herself as the leading star in the photo-dramatic firmament. Since she has been under the direction of the Jesse L. Lasky Company she has added greatly to her popularity and is now one of the greatest of the film favorites and it is said that in her clever interpretation as a girl of the slums in "The Ragamuffin," she is seen in a character totally unlike anything in which she has heretofore appeared.

Wm. C. DeMille, who wrote this thrilling drama especially for Miss Sweet and who personally directed the production, is one of America's leading playwrights, having been the author of "The Woman," "The Warrens of Virginia," "Strongheart" and many other of the many successful spoken dramas. Ever since the forming of the Lasky Company he has been in charge of its photodramatic department and the splendid scenarios for which this company is famous are due to his knowledge and technique.

Tom Forman, the clever young juvenile, who plays opposite Blanche Sweet, made his first appearance as a member of the Lasky Company with Edith Tallifero in "Young Romance." He was also leading man for Ina Claire and has always been prominently identified in Lasky productions.

Mrs. Lewis McCord will be remembered as "Mother Fadden" in the "Chimmie Fadden" series. She is seen in an important role in "The Ragamuffin."

Other members of the cast are from the Lasky all-star stock organization.

The production is done in the usual thorough Lasky fashion and is composed of many beautiful scenes. The company journeyed to New York especially to photograph the scenes in the slums.

The photography is of unusual merit.

Mary Pickford at Grand

Though the countless admirers of Mary Pickford do not require her to give any further proof of her amazing versatility, this supreme screen favorite renders anotner novel character-interpretation in the Famous Players Film Company's spectacular and thrilling production, "The Dawn of a Tomorrow," which is on at the Grand tomorrow as an extraordinary feature.

Mary Pickford in "The Dawn of a Tomorrow," that superb drama from the pen of Frances Hodgson Burnett, registers one of the dramatic triumphs of her career. It is to be somewhat likened to "Tess of the Storm Country" which was acknowledged to be her very greatest masterpiece heretofore, as it allows full sway for some of the most tense emotional acting of which this great star is capable, a feature that has probably been lacking in two or three of her other recent productions. It's a streng and tense dramatic feature, full of unexpected thrills and climaxes.

Everyone should witness this performance at the Grand tomorrow. The management can thoroughly recommend it as one of the biggest dime's worth of entertainment ever presented at the Grand, and such statements are not made without investigation.

Tomorrow at the Bijou.

Tomorrow's great three-reel feature at the Bijou, "Yust From Sweden," starring Robert Leonard and Ella Hall, the sort of photoplay which ought to be sent abroad and exhibited in all those countries which send immigrants to the United States. "Yust From Sweden" makes it plain that while America is the land of opportunities, it offers chances only to those who can make good and are willing to serve an honest apprenticeship in order to do so. Gold cannot be had for the trouble of picking it up in this country any more than in the older ones, but rewards for real ability and honest work often come more quickly in the newer one than they do in the old.

The story of "Yust From Sweden" is touching and exciting at times, and allows those two great favorites Robert Leonard and Ella Hall ample opportunity to duplicate some of their great work with which they made "The Mester Key" one of the greatest serials of all time.

Inimitable Alice Howell, with Ned Coleman, the newest L-Ko comedian, present a great L-Ko scream, "Her Naughty Eye," full of screams from beginning to end.

"Poor Little Peppina"—Thursday

The Royal theatre announces for next Thursday one of the most extraordinary photoplay productions ever produced, a seven-reel spectacular Paramount feature, starring that divine favorite of the screen, little Mary Pickford, in the leading role, entitled "Poor Little Peppina."

"Poor Little Peppina" is the first production by the new Mary Pickford-Famous Players Company, in which the little star has a half interest, and is also the first feature of over five reels in length in which this greatest of all photoplay stars has ever appeared. "Poor Little Peppina" is a special release, not on the regular Paramount programme, and for that reason the Royal management was enabled to book it promptly upon release by speaking for it soon after work on it had commenced some two months ago. The release date, which can be looked up in any of the trade papers, is March 2nd, and that is the date on which the Royal presents this great feature, the first time that a photoplay has ever played in Wilmington on release date—heretofore ranging from three weeks to six weeks of age before they can be seen here.

"Poor Little Peppina" is one of the most elaborate Pickford releases ever made, and gives popular and beautiful star a new field of work. She appears as the little urchin of the London poorer section whose soul rises above the sordid slum of London, and gives her room for some fine dramatic acting.

"Inspiration" Is Coming.

On the 13th of last January the management of the Grand theatre endeavored to book the production entitled "Inspiration," starring the world's greatest artist's model, Audrey Munson. The first open dates that could be obtained at that time were March 6th and 7th. This in itself, tells in a small manner, the popularity of this great production—the most extraordinary picture ever filmed. Atlanta, Ga., has already played five return dates on this picture—packing them in at every performance, the first time it being presented for a solid week.

"Inspiration" is the most daring photoplay ever filmed and tells of the wonderful adventures of a country girl—adrift in a great city—who overcomes every obstacle and becomes the most famous model in the world. Audrey Munson was selected from hundreds of beautiful women to pose for the official statuary of the Panama Exposition, the central figure on the Maine Monument in Central Park, New York, and other famous sculpture.

"Inspiration" has been booked for two days at the Grand, and it is absolutely certain that not half the people will be accommodated on the second day. And there will be no chance for re-booking within three or four months at the least. So don't forget—"Inspiration"—March 6th and 7th.

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RECKLESS MOTORISTS WARNED BY CHALMERS

Automobile Maker Discusses Problem of Accidents.

Blame for Accidents Falls on Motorist, Although Pedestrians Are Responsible in Most Cases, Says Hugh Chalmers

"With automobile accidents increasing daily in the larger cities of the country, and civic authorities at their wits' ends in an effort to solve the traffic problem, it seems to me that the time has come for the motorist to take up the burden," said Hugh Chalmers.

"Although practically every record kept by a police department shows the pedestrian responsible in nine out of ten automobile accidents, we must recognize the fact that the general public is inclined to blame the toll of deaths and injuries on the driver of the car.

"Bearing this in mind, I believe that it rests almost entirely with motor car owners whether future accidents are to increase with each season's new crop of drivers. In the first place, there is undoubtedly a portion of the blame resting with certain types of drivers.

Imprisonment for Joy-Rider.

"The intoxicated 'joy rider' and others of his ilk, who frequent city streets during the late hours of the night, are a menace to society. To this class, speed laws mean nothing. Heavy fines and imprisonment are about the only remedies that can be meted out to the joy-riding fraternity. Unfortunately, however, only a small portion of the big total of accidents in the past year can be laid at the door of the joy-rider. Every day, the papers contain reports of collisions on the open road and more especially in traffic.

"It is in traffic driving that the motorist has the great opportunity to reduce the number of accidents. Reports prepared by the New York Police Department, show that from January to July last year, the majority of accidents occurred from 11 a. m. to 12 noon and from 5 to 7 p. m., or during the so-called 'Rush Hours.' The same report carries the information that ninety per cent of the accidents were due to carelessness or other fault of the injured pedestrian. But if we are to be really conscientious about the matter, we must admit that just because the unfortunate man on foot is to blame, the motorist should not feel entirely absolved in the case. A little forethought on the part of the driver, slower speed in traffic, and less anxiety to beat the traffic policeman's whistle should work wonders in the way of cutting down accidents.

Congestion Increases Each Year.

"With the hundreds of thousands of new motor cars marketed every year by American motor car makers, traffic will undoubtedly grow more congested each season and the necessity for extreme caution will increase. To prepare chauffeurs and owner-drivers for their responsibilities, I believe a campaign of education should be started by the various automomible clubs and motor trade papers along the lines of safety first. The matter is not all one of speed limits or drastic legislation. Some drivers are more capable at thirty miles an hour than others are at ten. I feel sure that the real remedy will be found in the loyal co-operation of every man at the wheel obeying traffic laws now in force and reporting violations to the authorities.

"As far as pedestrians are concerned, it should be just as much of an offense for the man on foot to disobey the traffic officers' signal as it is for the automobile driver to ignore it. Jay walking in the busy districts of metropolitan centers will have to be eliminated.

"Until persons on foot realize that absolute safety lies only in crossing crowded thoroughfares at street intersections, there will always be a certain number of accidents caused by people walking around vehicles between blocks.

"Summing up matters, all drivers of motor cars should accept the fundamental fact that it is impossible to change human nature, and lay their plans accordingly. Give the pedestrian the widest sort of margin, even though you may feel you are being imposed upon at times, and I believe that much harmful legislation against the motor car will be forestalled."

GETTING BIG SHARE OF SOUTH AMERICA TRADE

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operatives represent the real aristocracy of the working world. Whereas the worker in a steel mill receives only $900 a year on the average, the men who drive the locomotives enjoy a yearly income of $1,760 on the average, according to figures contained in reports to the Interstate Commerce Commission, while many of them work six hours a day or less. To workers in the leather, clothing and similar trades with their long hours, yearly earnings of $480 to $800 a frequent procracted periods of idleness, the lot of the railway workers must seem to be fairly ideal. Conductors fare almost as well as the engineers, earning on the average $1,520 a year with similar hours. Even the trainmen who carry the red flag and call out the names of stations in unintelligible terms draw over $1,000 a year for this service. Contrasting the yearly earnings of these workers with the $500 which is the average yearly stipend of the country's lawyers, doctors and clergymen, the conclusion must be drawn that the youthful ambition which fixes the locomotive cab or the red freight caboose as its ultimate goal in preference to one of the learned professions is not altogether misguided.

The police boat, Patrol, for almost twenty-five years the terror of pirates along the river front of New York, has been ordered sold by the police commissioner and will be replaced by a new vessel which will be the most modern police boat in the United States. When the Patrol was built in 1893, there were few vessels engaged in depredations along the water front which she could not overhaul. Late each night she would leave her wharf at the Battery and stealing up the North or East river with lights out frequently interrupted thieves in the act of removing part of cargoes from freight boats to their own craft. So greatly was the Patrol feared that frequently sentries would be posted at the Battery and when the Patrol would leave for her nightly tour of inspection the guard would telephone to his confederates the direction taken by the vessel. But her activities were not confined to this class of work alone. The records show that she frequently met returning excursion boats upon which fights had broken out and assisted in restoring order. There are also many instances where she braved stormy seas outside of Sandy Hook to rescue disabled pleasure and fishing boats. The new boat will be 100 feet in length motor driven and built on the lines of a torpedo boat destroyer, attaining a speed of 21 miles an hour. With such a craft it will be possible to reach the most remote points on the city water front in half an hour.

While the plan of increasing the army and navy of the United States and putting this country in a position to meet the aggressions of any foreign power, meets with the approval of the business men of this city, considerable interested is manifasted by them as to the manner in which the money is to be raised to place the country in a state of preparedness. It is admitted by all that the sum required for this purpose will run into the hundreds of millions. Many suggestions have been made by members of Congress such as imposing a tax on gasoline, moving picture films, graphophone records, automobile tires, but the first definite step taken in this direction has been the introduction of a bill in the House repealing the free sugar provision of the tariff law which was enacted in 1913. Since the retention of the sugar duty is practically assured as the bill has become a party measure through action by the Democratic caucus, this simply means that the government retains $50,000,000 a year revenue which it is now enjoying. It does not, however, lead to the solution of the problem of raising the additional revenue required. New Yorkers are watching developments in Congress on this subject with great interest because of intimations that they will be called upon to pay a large proportion of any amount that may be raised by special taxation.

Considerable mystery is attached to the ownership of the finest pearl necklace which ever reached this country, and possibly the finest in the world, which arrived at the port of New York recently. Its arrival was surrounded with secrecy, and the silence of the customs officials who examined it for appraisal was maintained even after news of its arrival had leaked out. There are fifty pearls in the string and it is estimated that it is worth $1,000,000. All the pearls are perfectly matched and of wonderful size and lustre, and it is said that there is only one possible rival in the world for first place among pearl collectors. The necklace was sent to this country by a London dealer and when the jewelry trade of this city learned that it came from him, it led to the suspicion that it was the same necklace which was stolen from the registered mail while in transit between London and Paris in 1913. This necklace was valued at that time at $625,000 and was only recovered after a reward of $50,000 had been offered. It was picked up in the streets of London by a poor laborer, and it is supposed that the robbers, finding it impossible to dispose of the necklace on account of its fame, threw it away. While the identity of the owner of the necklace which has just arrived is shrouded in mystery, it is safe to assume that one of the multi-millionaires of the country is the purchaser. LONGACRE.

PRINTER'S "DEVIL" IS LEADER AT UNIVERSITY

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lost by about one-fifth of one point.

Last year Jos. Linker entered the University as a freshman. Realizing the necessity of defraying his own expenses, he obtained a job as "printer's devil" at the University Print Shop. This job nets him twenty odd dollars a month, which is about enough to cover actual expenses at the University.

Regrets No Sacrifice.

Joseph Linker has now been a student at the University since September, 1914. And never for a moment has he regretted any personal sacrifice that played its part in bringing him to the University. And that he is getting something out of his college life is evidenced by the fact that his scholarship average for the fall term was higher than that of any of the other 1,155 students at the University. In the fall term of his freshman year, not having become adjusted to university life, Linker only averaged 92 1-2—an even "two." In the spring he made four "ones" and one "two." This past fall he took six courses and made six "ones." And should he continue to make such grades through his junior year, Joseph Linker will win and have bestowed upon him the highest of all University honors—the presidency of Phi Beta Kappa.

For years the goal of young Linker's ambition has been a University degree. One lap and a half of the race has been run. And it's a safe bet that when the runners come in on the last lap of the college course that Joseph Burton Linker, of Salisbury, will be in the lead.

OPENS OFFICE

Daughtridge Headquarters Established For the Campaign in Raleigh.

Raleigh, N. C., Feb. 26.—Daughtridge headquarters have now been opened in rooms 2 and 5 of the Capital Club building, and from now on an active campaign is to be waged to capture the Democratic nomination for governor for Hon. E. L. Doughtridge, of Rocky Mount.

The officers to be in charge are Mr. James E. Carraway, of Waynesville, and Mr. Paul R. Capelle, of Rocky Mount. Mr. J. C. Daughtridge, a son of the lieutenant-governor, is also connected with the office. Miss Mary Aycock and Miss Nell Hinsdale are stenographers. The rooms have been nicely equipped.

The managers were in an optimistic frame of mind yesterday, and while they propose to conduct an aggressive campaign, they assert that they propose to do it along clean lines, placing party interest above personal considerations. Speaking along this line yesterday, Mr. Carraway said:

"We have opened headquarters in the Capital Club building, and from this time on will endeavor to present Governor Daughtridge's claims to the Democratic voters of the State. This can and will be done without acrimony or bitterness. While contending to the extent of our ability for the success of Governor Daughtridge, we will constantly bear one thought in mind. That thought is this: That the welfare of the Democratic party is more important than the fortunes of any particular candidate. No stones, brickbats or mud will be thrown at any one from the Daughtridge headquarters. We hope to conduct such a campaign that after Governor Daughtridge is nominated, as we believe he will be, that the solid Democracy of the State will be enthusiastically behind him."

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And Yet She Has Furnished Only One State Officer, the Late Col. T. F. Toon—Political Gossip—Red Springs Notes.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Red Springs, N. C., Feb. 26.—We have recently had called to our attention the important relation sustained by Robeson county to her sister counties in North Carolina, made famous since the sending of the famous telegram "Hold Robeson and Save the State."

She has lost none of her prestige and while the mills of the gods grind slowly, they yet grind surely, and all things come to those who wait. While perhaps Robeson is still the largest county in the State and is still a stronghold for simon pure democracy, yet she has never had but one State officer, the late Col. T. F. Toon, superintendent of public instruction, who died a few months after being inducted into office, while she has had and still has men named legion who could fill any state office with credit to himself and honor to his State. North Carolina, however, was willing this time to honor Robeson's talented and distinguished son, A. W. McLean, with her highest honor, viz: Governor, but notwithstanding the hopes and aspirations of McLean's friends, for business reasons he refused to be a candidate. All loyal Robesonians regretted Mr. McLean's decision, but accepted their disappointment.

Then the name of L. R. Varser, another of Robeson's leading attorneys, was mentioned as the logical candidate for congress from this district and while men from every section of the district urged Varser, especially Robesonians, yet he refused also to enter the arena, so a few days ago when the announcement was made from Washington that Hon. George R. McLeod, ex-sheriff of Robeson and her present State senator, had been given a National appointment as representative of the Federal Trade Commission, this brought joy to the hearts of all Robesonians, who feel that the selection of McLeod for the important position was indeed a wise one, and fulfilled the saying of the lamented Zeb Vance "that the horse that pulls the plow should eat the fodder," and gave Robeson that representation she was entitled to and had honored one of North Carolina's foremost citizens and a battle-scarred warrior of Democracy, a man who has sacrificed heavily both in time and money for the success of his party and has ever been found in the foremost rank of the fighting line. Senator McLeod leaves Sunday night for Washington where on Monday he assumes his new duties.

Another thing that gives Robeson her prestige is her banking facilities, all of which are strong and manned by the very best men—experts in their line. Recently in the city of Lumberton—the hub of Robeson—they have organized the Planters' Bank & Trust Co., which organization takes over the Farmers' & Merchants' Bank, of that city. The capital stock and surplus of this bank is about $150,000 and her directors and officers some of Robeson's and the Carolinas' leading and most successful business men. Mr. C. B. Townsend, the president, is a man of large business experience and an experienced banker, having been connected with the National Bank of Lumberton, formerly the Bank of Lumberton and the oldest bank in Robeson, both as cashier and active vice president. Mr. R. R. Barnes, vice president, is one of Robeson's most prominent and successful business men, being perhaps the largest planter and possibly her largest capitalist. Mr. W. B. Fletcher, of McColl, S. C., is second vice president and like Mr. Barnes, he is one of Marlboro county's leading farmers, business men and financiers, with large interests in both Carolinas, some of his largest farms being located in the State of Robeson.

Mr. K. M. Barnes, formerly cashier of the Merchants & Farmers' Bank, is treasurer of the new organization. Under Mr. Barnes' wise and judicious management, the Farmers & Merchants' was recognized as one of the leading and safest banking institutions in this entire section and the new institution, realizing his superior business ability, elected him to its most responsible office. Mr. O. C. Spaulding is secretary and trust officer. No man is better known in banking circles than Mr. Spaulding, who is a live wire, both aggressive and progressive and will help push the new institution.

Robeson's schools are also one of the things taken collectively of which she is proud because under Poole they have gone forward with leaps and bounds and no county in North Carolina provides better educational facilities for her boys and girls than does Robeson. While Superintendent Poole looks after the minds of the children Dr. B. W. Page carefully guards and attends to their physical needs and "Poole and Page", the double P's, stand shoulder to shoulder in furnishing her young men and young women strength mentally and physically.

In political circles candidates keep looming up. For the Senate we hear the names of E. J. Britt, county attorney, and Frank Gough mentioned. For the House D. P. McLeod, Dr. J. P. Brown, Maj. G. B. Sellers, J. S. Oliver and others. Before they are elected they will have to declare themselves in favoring the present efficient county J. M. McCallum. Basing our opinion on what folks from the different sections of the county say, they believe their county auditor the equal of any in North Carolina and know he has done much to make every fellow bear his proportionate part of Robeson's burdens and this is our reason for saying they won't stand for any candidate who opposes McCallum.

Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Cook leave in a few days for Rocky Point, Pender county, which is to be their future home. Mr. Cook is a dealer in hardwood and by giving every fellow a square deal, enjoys the confidence of his fellows. Red Springs will follow them with her best wishes.

Hon. O. L. Clark and Mr. N. A. Currie, of Clarkton, and Dr. J. L. McMillan and Messrs. D. P. McArthur and Fred Brown, of Red Springs, spent Thursday at Pinehurst consulting with Mr. Tufts relative to the proposed automobile highway, Wilmington to Charlotte. It's up to Bladen, if she will repair certain roads she will enjoy the privileges of the highway. FRED BROWN.

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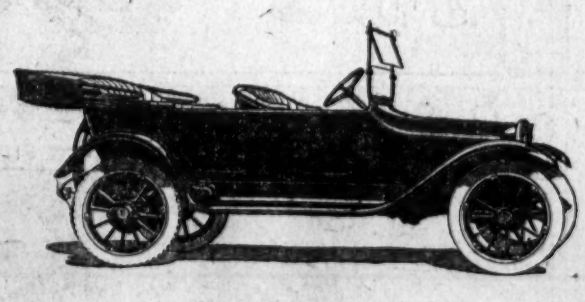

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A FULL LINE OF FLORIDA AND HOME GROWN VEGETABLES.

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HIRAM AND CYNTHIA

THEY MEET THE POLICEMAN AGAIN

By Alfred Jackson

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JUST MY LUCK! ALWAYS AROUND WHEN THERE'S TROUBLE!
HE'S STOLEN MY HAND-BAG!
KEEPAWAY CYNTHIA SHE'S ONE OF THEM CRAZY SUFFRIGITS OR ——

YEP! I REMEMBER! YER THE COP THAT HAD US BEFORE THE JUDGE. GLAD TER SEE YER.
Y' KNOW WHEN THE JUDGE AN' ME WAS BOYS TOGETHER
ARREST HIM OFFICER. IT'S THE SECOND TIME I'VE HAD A BAG SNATCHED

MUST BE A MISTAKE LADY. HE'S A PERSONAL FRIEND OF THE JUDGE; BUT BETWEEN YOU AN ME I'LL FEEL RELIEVED WHEN HE GOES HOME!
I'M GLAD I WAS WITH YOU HIRAM THEM CITY GALS IS DANGEROUS!

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Chesty de Nut

IT HAD TO HAPPEN OR ELSE HE MIGHT HAVE BUSTED

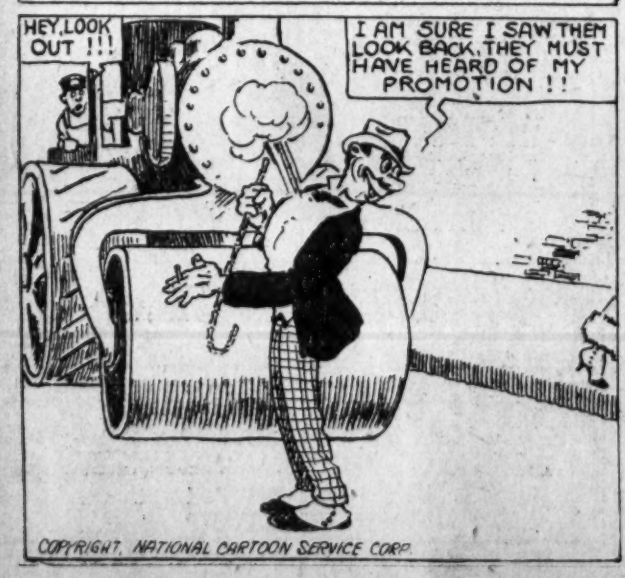
by F. R. PAUL

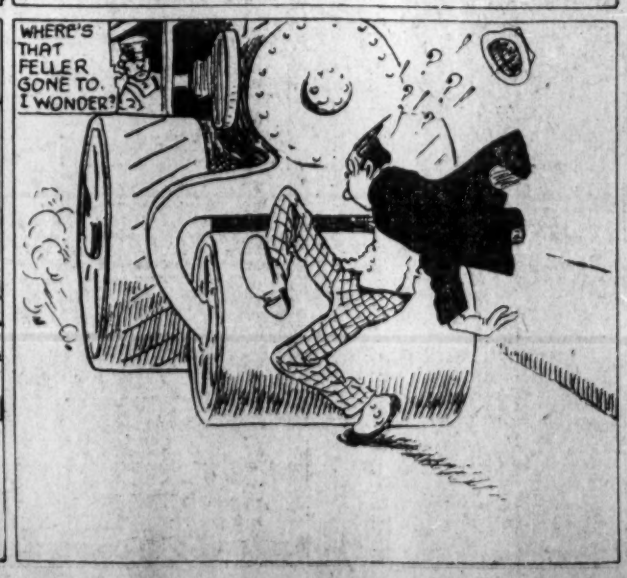
No. 81

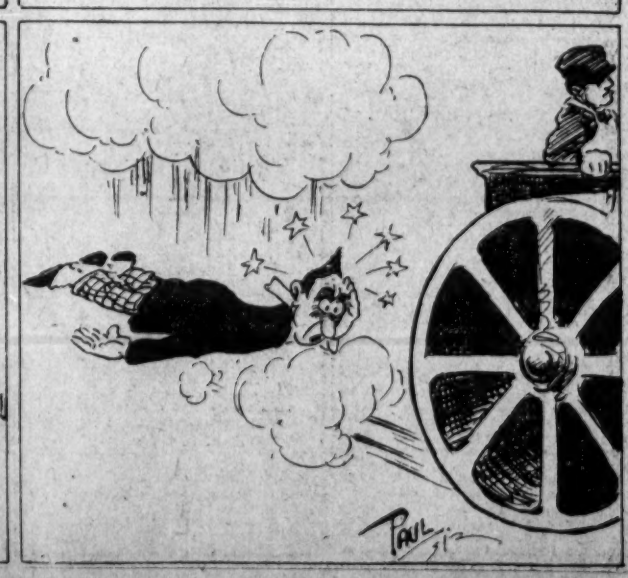
CHESTY, I HAVE DECIDED TO SEND YOU ON THE ROAD AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE SELF-PROPELLING COLLARBUTTON COMPANY. IF YOU MAKE GOOD WE MAY CONSIDER YOU FOR A RAISE. HERE'S A SPLENDID OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU!!
OH, FINE! THANK YOU BOSS. MUCH OBLIGED!

OUT OF MY WAY MENIAL, DON'T YOU KNOW A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE FIRM WHEN YOU SEE ONE? HOW DARE YOU, A MERE OFFICE BOY STAND IN MY WAY!!!
PRIVATE
GEE WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH CHESTY. HE'S ALL PUFFED UP?? HE MUST HAVE GOT A RAISE.

GEE! THE BOSS MUST THINK A WHOLE LOT OF ME TO GIVE ME SUCH A RESPONSIBLE POSITION; BEFORE YOU KNOW, I'LL BE MANAGER OF THAT FIRM, OR DIRECTOR OR PRESIDENT, AH, I CAN SEE MYSELF GETTING RICH AND ALL THE GIRLS IN NUTTYVILLE WILL WANT TO MARRY ME!- THERE'S MRS. GOTROX WITH HER DAUGHTER







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BRRR BABRRR-Z-Z
WELL-- WHO HAS BEEN WAITING THE LONGEST?
I HAVE DOCTOR
I MADE A SUIT FOR YOU, THREE YEARS AGO, AND I'D LIKE TO COLLECT.

SALE OF LAND

FOR TAXES UNPAID FOR 1915.

I have levied upon and will sell at public auction at the Court House door of New Hanover County, on Monday, the 6th day of March, 1916, at 12 o'clock M. the following described real estate to satisfy the unpaid taxes due the State of North Carolina and County of New Hanover for the year 1915, together with the cost and expense due thereon unless the amounts so due and unpaid are settled before sale.

S. P. COWAN,
Sheriff New Hanover County.

WILMINGTON TOWNSHIP.
WHITE.

Name	Description	Blk	Tax and Cost
Alexander, W. F. a Mary B.—	E 1-4 2	297	6.80
Anders & Pugh—	E 1-2 4 s w 1-4 5 all 6	549	
	S w pt 6	531	
	S e 1-4 h s w 1-4 4 w 1-2 s e 1-4 5 all 6..	550	
	W 1-2 4 s e 1-4 6 pt e 1-3 1	551	8.78
Applewhite, Jno. A.—pt 1 2..		79	11.77
Beach, A. J.—n e pt 1		88	18.15
Beach, G. J.—Lot 18 Caro. Place		17	7.35
Benson, hrs., Isabel—s e pt 4		554	3.50
Biddle, hrs., Julia—w pt 1 2 3		78	16.97
Boise, N. E.—w m 5		263	12.80
Bordeaux, Henry—e ¼ 4..		572	7.43
Bowden, Heirs Sarah C.—w end 5		181	34.30
Boylan & Hancock— w m 1 pt 2		32	32.10
Boylan, D. D.—n e 3		182	22.00
Boylan, J. E.—pt w 1 3		185	26.68
Brock, Mrs. Lilly C.—s e ¼ 5		90	27.70
Brown, L. L.—s w ¼ 6		25	5.15
Burnett, Mrs. L. H.—s e ¼ 4 ½ int 3 n e6		125	32.10
Callihan, T. W.—pt e m 5 6		34	12.82
Canady, D. R.—pt e m 1 2		211	81.32
Canady, Jos. S.—s w ¼ 3		54	8.18
Carney, Etta May—e pt 3		511	2.40
Clemmons, W. J.—Lot 17 18 28 26, Greenfield Terrace		C	26.05
Cook, Mrs. Mary H.—n w 6		542	2.40
Croom, J. LeRoy—m 1 2 3 pt 4		144	73.90
Daniel, Joe—s e 142 n e ¼ 4		572	6.80
Darden, J. G.—s e ¼ 4		59	8.80
Dixon, H. L.—n e pt 4		117	12.65
Dollar, Susie D.—m 1 pt 2		35	
	W end 1 pt 2	67	18.00
Davis, E. H.—e pt 5		76	15.05
Elkins, J. B.—n e pt 2		321	17.32
Evans, W. R.—e m 2 pt 3		168	17.80
Farrar, Annie M.—e end 6		555	9.00
Fleet, Mrs. M. M.—n w 1		104	33.20
Fidelity Trust & Dev. Co.—	S e 1-4 4	502	14.88
Foard, Mrs. C. D.—e & e m 2		168	63.45
Furlong, J. J.—s end e m & pt w 1 2 3		328	
	W m & pt w 1 2 pt w m 3 4 5	329	
	¼ int w 6	74	
	N w m ⅛ 5	541	
	S ½ 4	98	
	S w m 5 6	502	
	S e 5 n e 6	554	51.25
Furlong—Mrs. Mary C.—n e 2	E m 1 pt 2	271	
	W m 5 6	98	11.60
Gallagher, n e—pt e 1		181	34.30
Gaskill, J. W.—w e ¼ 3		33	7.35
Gaskill, hrs., V.—pt e m 5 6		51	6.80
Goodwin, hrs., C. E.—m & e end ½ 2 3		40	
	E pt 5 6	41	
	N w m ¼ 2 w ½ 3 w ⅝ 5 6	42	
	M & e m 6	68	37.38
Grant, R. O. & W. F.—Lots 17 18 pt 10, Greenfield Terrace		13	19.50
Greer, Mrs. Gussie—n w2 pt 1		350	14.50
Greer, P. M.—n w 1-4 1		542	7.31
Guthrie, Mrs. Fannie—pt e m 6		74	9.33
Hall, H. H., Trustee—e m 1		138	21.55
Hanby, Mrs. Florence R.—e pt 3 4		489	17.80
Hancock, E. T.—m 1 2 3		131	
	S e ¼ 3	544	34.30
Hall, Virginius—w end 1 pt 2		91	48.78
Hansen, J. K.—e end 1		63	11.55
Haskett, Jesse H.—n w 3		293	18.98
Hayden, Mrs. M. A.—e ½ 2		166	84.90
Herring, W. V.—w end 1 n w 2		4	17.38
Hill, Mrs. Virginia B.—w m 1		171	23.30
Hodges, R. W.—w m 4 5 pt 3		189	27.61
Holland, J. M.—s e ¼ 1		321	13.40
Holmes, Mrs. Carolina G.—s e 3 pt 4		170	23.30
Holmes, E. H.—n w 2		200	23.45
Holmes, J. H.—pt w m 6		36	6.60
Houston, Carrie P.—s e 1		59	5.70
Huband, C. H.—w m pt 6		90	11.55
Jarman, R. H. & wife—s w 2		210	18.15
Jenkins, Mrs. Blanche—w 2 3		336	5.15
Johnson, Thos. L.—w m 1		294	9.55
Johnson, Geo. T.—s w ¼ 4		235	51.01
Johnson, J. G.—e m 1 2 pt 3		487	37.79
Johnson, Thos. L.—w m 1		294	9.55
Jones, Avander Lee—m 6 pt 5		554	6.33
Jouske, Mrs. H. E.—pt e m 3 4 5		200	14.50
Justice, C. J.—s w 6		22	9.84
Kidd, Mrs. Harry L.—w ½ 1 pt w ½ 2		497	20.55
King, B. F., Jr.—n e 5 pt 4		92	16.50
King, Rev. J. P.—pt w end 4		52	11.20
Khander, W. B.—pt 5 6		507	6.88
Koch, W. F.—n w 4		280	14.50
Krahnke, F. H.—w ½ 3		600	12.30
Kunold, Mrs. Lena—e m 4 5 pt 3		176	29.08
Lawton, Miss F. V.—w m 1 2		114	27.70
Lee, LeRoy—all 3 4 5 6		519	4.60
LeGwin, J. H.—pt w m 2		321	6.60
Loughlin, J. A.—Lot 4 Caro. Court		101	22.82
Lowenstein, D.—w 4 5		187	
	W m 4 5	249	
	M & s w pt 2	293	66.05
Mason, E. T.—n e & m 5 e 5 6		474	30.01
Mills, hrs. G. W.—w 2 pt 1		52	7.90
Mints, S. H.—w ½ 5		65	12.03
Mohr, Mrs. John N.—n e ¼ 4		237	11.20
Mohr, T. H.—w m 5		237	15.40
Montgomery, hrs. J. P.—Lots 1 2 3 Caro. Place		8	21.20
Moore, J. C.—n w ¼ 5		22	6.88
Morris, R. H.—e m 1		336	7.35
Morris, Wilkes a wife— S w 1-4 4		59	11.00
Morrison, Mrs. R. I. Gd.—½ int. in 3		135	
	E m 4 5	234	89.50
Morrison, Mrs. W. R.—s w ¼ 2		304	87.65
McMillan, Mrs. A. E.—4		529	1.53
McDonald, hrs. Dr. A. D.—pt e 2 3		206	
	E 4 5	265	
	S w 3	268	42.40
New, L. T.—pt e m 1		64	14.63
Newkirk, H. F.—w pt 2		86	17.88
Pate & Chadwick— n e ¼ & s w m ¼ 3 n e & n w ¼ 4		522	
	N e ¼ s w m ¼ 5 n e m ¼ 6	523	
	S w ¼ 3 s e m ¼ 4 s e ¼ 5 Pt e & w m 1 2 n e ¼ 3	527	
Pt 1 2 3 4 (20 lots)		529	10.15
Peiffer, F. W.—s w ¼ 5		117	23.00
Piner, W. A.—w end 1		38	
	E end 6	52	
	Lots 1 2 Greenfield Terrace	F	23.61
Powell, Mrs. Agnes L.—Lots 1 2 Caro. Place		26	7.35
Powell, Raymond W.—Lots 15 pt 19 Caro. Place		17	6.49
Prease, Mary E.—s w ¼ 3		292	6.80
Reaves, C. J.—s e ¼ 3		35	10.23
Reaves, W. J.—s w ¼ 4		56	
	W m 3 pt 2 s e ¼ 2	57	
	S e ¼ 3 e ½ 4 n e 5		74.10
Register, Mrs. F. M.—w m 6 pt 5		17	6.25
Rivenbark, J. D.—s e ¼ 5		277	10.65
Ruth, T. L.—s w ¼ 3		557	6.05
Schad, Joe—m e m 1 2 3 4 6 pt e 3 4		483	71.80
Sellars, Dallie K.—n w ¼ 4		65	
	N w ¼ 3	323	
	S w ¼ 5	292	33.05
Sellars, J. F.—e w ¼ 2		328	
	S w ¼ 4 n w ¼ 5	293	
	W end 1 2 3 4 w m 3 4	321	
	E m 5 pt 2		
	E end 1 pt e 2 5	347	103.96
Sellars, Preston L.—s w pt 8		198	16.32
Sellars, Mrs. S. M.—s e pt 6		58	12.58
Shepard, H. B.—e m 5 6		19	6.96
Sidbury, K. C.—n pt 3 m 2		45	
	Pt w 5 6	510	
	W m 1 3 pt 3	161	
	E m 1	47	55.38
Simon, Annie B.—e m 1 pt 3		20	7.35
Sloan, D. D.—w 1-3 2		26	3.90
Sneed, E. H.—212s of Dock on 17th St			13.51
Steljes, Albert—e end 1 2 pt 2		160	
	W end 1 2 pt 3	161	
	W end 1 pt 2	78	
	Pt w 2	64	103.40
Steljes, Herbert—pt w ½ 1		64	21.96
Strauss, Mrs. Jessie—s w 2 all 3 e ¼ 4		306	75.55
Streater, W. E.—w ½ 5		11	6.05
Surles, Mrs. E. L.—pt 3		346	17.25
Swann, Creasy R.—pt e 4 5		510	7.70
Swann, Vrans—n e ¼ 2		76	13.13
Sykes, T. P.—lot 4 Bronx Land Near Smith Creek		409	5.15
Taylor, Mrs. M. C.—e 1-2 6		61	13.95
Todd, E. A.—w ½ 6 w 3-8 8		93	53.35
Tucker, Robt., Jr.—w m & n w 1 pt 2		351	
	E end 4 5 6	473	12.96
Turrentine, Jno. R.—e m 1 2 pt3		159	59.60
Upchurch, Ira G.—lots4 5 Caro. Place		11	9.90
Walker, Harry L.—n w pt 5		51	6.05
Warren, E. D.—e end 1		104	29.09
Watson, T. A., Jr.—s w ¼ 2 n w ¼ 3		543	7.37
Wells, hrs. M. E.—lot 6 Caro. Place		11	2.95
Williams, Mary M.—e end 1 pt 2		20	16.10
Williamson, E. S.—Lot 1 Caro. Place		6	6.88
Willson, H. B.—w m 4 5		174	
	Lot Carolina Heights 50x150	1	
	Pt e m 1 2 3	161	95.11
Willson, Mrs. Mary M.—pt e 3 e m 4 5		174	27.70
Woebse, H. H.—s e m ¼ 4 e m 5		337	16.15
Woebse, J. H.—pt e 4 5		324	12.54
Woebse, Mrs. Margant—s w m ¼ 4 w m 5		325	6.53
Woodcock, W. G.—lot 7 Caro. Place		37	7.70
Woolard, Mrs. J. M.—e 1-2 3		264	24.40
Wright, R. A.—w m 1		127	38.78

DELINQUENT.

Atkinson, R. S.—lots 16 17 Caro. Place		35	5.70
Am. Sub. Corporation—lots 2 3 Caro. Place.		6	
	Lots 6 7 8 Caro. Place.	32	
	Lots 13 14 Caro. Place.	28	33.60
Bass, Kate F. (or T.)—w ½ 1 pt 2		11	9.00
Bryan, C. G.—s e m ½ 2		574	4.80
Bloodworth, Miss Mattie H.—lot 7 Caro. Place		8	5.70
Bulcken, Mrs. A.—w m 2		20	3.50
Burruss, Edward, Jr.—pt e 1		237	4.05
Carter, L. J.—	Pt e m 1	377	
	N w 1	309	
	E end 4 5 pt 3	484	10.51
Corbett, Mrs. Mary M.—pt w m 3		322	6.80
Cooker, J. A.—n e ¼ 4		50	10.10
Christ, hrs. Phillip—w ½ 3		140	
	Pt w ½ 4	153	131.30
Chadwick, D. N., Jr.—pt w 3 4 5		173	47.80
	E ½ 4	306	75.55
Cutlar, hrs. Du B.—s w pt 2		37	4.05
Cutlar, Mrs. Lilly—n e ¼ 2		36	6.80
Cutlar, L. P. J.—e m & pt w m 1		279	22.42
Cuyler, L. P.—pt e		69	6.50
Cunningham, Mary B.—pt n w ¼ 6		46	5.15
Corbett, Mrs. Maud M—e end 6		71	18.90
Craig, C. W.—w end 6 pt 5		510	4.05
Comer, J. L.—lot 17 Caro. Place		14	3.50
Evans, Chas. N.—e m 1 2 pt 3		160	98.10
Germania Mfg. Co.—All		534	331.30
Gatewood, J. W.—n w pt m 3		522	1.85
Haney, Marshall M.—s e ¼ 4		573	4.60
Harris, Mary Mc.l—All 6 pt 5		525	2.95
Herring, G. T.—wend 1		583	240
Herbert, Lassie Jr.—pt w m 6		60	11.20
Harrison, T. D.—pt w m 1 2		70	405
Holmes, Sarah A.—s w 1-4 hers A. H.—	Lots 9-10 Caro. Place	11	570
Krahnke, Clara E.—	E end 1 pt 2	42	2.95
Keathley, M. E.—wend 5		522	295
King, A. B.—n w 1-4 2		50	11.30
	Josephine—end 1	64	2320
	Mollie V.—w m 1 2	537	350
	W. W.—pt e 4 5 6	78	2320
Lewis, Thelma—pt e 4		360	900
Lowery, J. D.—	Lot 5 Caro. Place	14	460
Matthews, J. T. and wife—	N e 5		680
Massey, Lula T.—e 1-2 2		89	2320
Moore, Elizabeth P.—pt w 1 2		145	1670
Munn, J. A.—pt e m 6		148	350
Moore, Martha—pt w m 1 2 3		223	1280
Moore, J. P.—s w 1-4 4 n w 5		161	10.10
Montgomery, J A—s w 1-3 5		623	240
Murph, J. W.—n w 1-4 2		541	515
McKoy, Mrs. Kate B.—	E 1 pt 2	101	100.30
McDuffie, N. O.—	Lot 10 Caro. Place	10	350
MacRae, C. F.—	Lot 2 Love Grove	11	240
Norfleet, E.—pt w 1 2		508	2.40
Norfleet, E., Trustee—e end 6 pt 5 pt w m 5 6		512	3.50
Ocean City Corporation—e 6		63	21.10
Osment, Fairy C.—pt e 6		71	7.90
Pickett, R. T.—w end 3		34	14.50
Purnell, hrs. Wm.—n w ¼ 3		46	6.80
Penny, hrs. W. J.—w m & pt w 1		146	29.90
Potter, W. A.—e m 2 3		148	9.00
Porter, Bessie R.—e m 1		292	11.61
Parker, John—pt w 2		248	5.70
Petit, W. D.—s w ¼ 5		490	7.90
Patterson, James—pt e end 4 5		529	1.85
Peterson, Rena—n w ¼ 4		543	3.50
Pate & Chadwick—s e & s w m ¼ 4 s e m ¼ 5		522	2.95
Reaves, hrs. E.—s e 3		3	9.00
Reese, Miss Mary—n e pt 5		34	5.70
Russell, hrs. Lucretia—pt w m 2 3 ¼ int		164	4.05
Reville, Fannie—s pt 1 2		554	10.10
Sidbury, Mrs. E. G.—pt e 1 3		485	26.50
Sikes, W. H.—n e ¼ 4		47	17.80
Schlieve, hrs. Herman—s w ¼ 6		528	2.95
Sheehan, Miss Ellen—n w ¼ 3		490	4.60
Saunders, Mrs. Martha A.—w m 4		94	6.80
Staff Lumber Co.—ldgs only		429	12.30
Taylor, Paul S.—s w ¼ 1		531	1.85
Nun, Martha J.—pt e m 1 2		79	16.70
Welch, L. R.—lot 6 Bronx			2.95
Woodward, G. A., Executor—pt w 3 4 5		239	4.05
Van Amringe, C. S.—	Pt e 1 w m 1	103	45.30

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Adams, Carrie S.—pt w e 1		307	17.80
Allen, A. J.—n w pt 1		541	4.40
Anders, Jas.—n e pt 2		549	3.96
Arnold, O. H.—w pt 5		240	
	All 6	518	
	W m 1 2 3	39	28.50
Austin, Julia—pt e 1		134	7.90
Bannerman, Jno. A.—s w 1-4 3		25	5.22
Barfield, Rosetta—	Pt e 1 e m 1	347	3.78
Baskerville, Bl chard—	Pt w 1-2 1	350	6.80
Ball, Ida E.—w 1-2 4		119	21.80
Best, Etta—e 6 pt 5		524	
	S e 1-4 3	69	5.08
Bethea, Maggie—s w 1-4 pt 4		450	2.95
Bishop, Elizabeth—e m 1 pt 2		248	13.30
Bizzell, R. D.—pt e 5 6		147	
	S w 2 pt n w 3	148	21.85
Blocker, Jas. H.—pt w m 1 2		34	8.53
Blocker, Jas. S.—	W pt w m 1 pt 2	327	8.89
Boon, Thos.—w 5 6		93	
	W 1-2 3	583	11.18
Bowden, David—pt 2 e 4		241	7.98
Bowen, Robt.—pt w m 1		241	5.18
Bowens, Phyllis—s e pt 5		51	4.60
Bowens, Stephen—pt e m 1 2		224	7.70
Brown, Amelia—lot 21		522	1.85
Brown, A. L.—pt w 1 2		266	6.25
Brown, Gilbert W.—e 1		241	24.04
Brown, Geo. W.—w m b		271	4.88
Brown, John H.—e end 5		260	7.62
Brown, J. H.—pt w 5 6		527	3.58
Brown, Julia—s w 1-4 4		83	4.60
Bryan, Rachel A.—	Pt w m 1 pt w 1	308	5.15
Bryant, Chas. L.—n e pt 6		36	11.00
Bryant, David—w m		94	
	S e ¼ 4	522	
	Pt e m 1 2 pt e 2	93	39.93
Bryant, W. M.—n w 1-4 1		494	8.80
Carr, Wm.—pt e 4 5		162	9.90
Carter, E. A.—n e 1-4 3		105	11.28
Clinton, F. J.—pt 6 1-2		490	10.06
Clinton, Henry L.—s end 1 pt 2		498	3.78
Collins, Maggie E.—pt e m 1 2		325	9.55
Connor, Mary—n w pt 2 pt 1		24	4.05
Council, Fred—s w 1-4 2		9	4.15
Cowan, J. L.—pt w 6		68	
	E end 5 6	42	6.39
Crowley, L. J.—pt e end 4 pt 5		78	7.90
Davis, hrs. Fred—s w 1-3 4		522	1.85
Davis, Tillman—lt 39		529	1.85
Donaldson, Jas—n w 1-4 3		494	6.05
Dry, Wm.—n e 1-4 3		540	4.13
Dudley, Ben—pt n w 1-4 2		13	3.85
Dunston, Lopisa—w end 2		20	5.43
Dixon, Chas. & wife—w 5 6		97	4.05
Eagles, Lucy A.—n w 1-4 3		19	5.70
Edens, Maggie—w pt 3		186	15.60
Ennett, Emily—pt w m 3 4		349	4.05
Evans, Edward—s e 1-8 1		502	4.79
Eansv, Louvella—pt w 5		256	4.60
Evans, Moses—pt e 1 2		106	9.00
Everett, Josephine—pt e m 1 2		309	1.85
Everett, Stanly—pt w m 5 6		84	3.78
Edwards, Thos.—n e 4		294	
	E m 1 pt 2	295	
	Pt w m 5	351	20.40
Evans, John R.—lts 28 33		502	5.50
Fisher, Cornelia—w m 5		308	6.25
Foy, hrs. Elijah—s e 1-4 5		36	5.15
Frank, Louis—lt 9 Love Grove		11	4.15
Fulton, David—pt n w 1-4 2		68	7.15
Galley, Jas. E.—s e 1-8 3		254	7.15
Gant, Henry M.—n e 1-4 5		269	10.45
Garrison, A. D.—s e 1-4 2		136	4.60
Gay, hrs. Amanda—s e 1-4 4		55	2.40
Graham, Lulu—pt w m 1		254	4.88
Green, Hector—n w 1-4 5		70	5.98
Green, Lewis—pt e m 1 2		22	6.88
Gause, Ed S.—pt w 1 2		327	
	E end 4 5	338	10.85
Grady, Z. A.—n w 1-8 6 s w 8		69	7.31
Hall, hrs., Jas. H.—s w 1-4 2		200	8.45
Hall, Mary—w m 1		47	4.60
Hall, W. H.—n e 1-4 1		27	2.13
Hankins, Willie—pt e 1 2		494	4.13
Hargrave, G. D.—w m 4 5 pt 3		188	
	W pt 4 5 pt 3 4 in alley	162	
	N w 6	40	
	S w end 6	498	
	Pt 2 3	498	
	Pt e 4 5	187	32.35
Harriss, hrs. E.—e m 5		45	2.95
Hill, hrs. Allen—pt e m 4		347	2.95
Hill, Louis T.—n e 1-4 3		226	8.25
Hill, Mamie A.—s w 1-3 2		238	7.90
Hines, David R.—e m 6 pt 5		55	6.22
Hollaway, Catherine L.—	S w 1-4 3	282	9.28
Hollingsworth, hrs. Lourina H.—w m 1		234	
	E end 1 2	306	
	S 1-2 2	263	65.50
Hollingsworth, Sarah L.—	E 1-2 3	265	6.80
Holmes, Francis C.—e m 1		294	7.90
Hooper, Ben—	S e 1-4 2 n e 1-4 3	23	7.15
Hooper, hrs. John—	S e 1-4 3 n e 1-4 4	23	5.15
Howard, Alonzo—e m 6 pt 5		98	6.05
Howard, hrs. Lizzie—pt e m 6		32	5.95
Howard—McAllister—	2 10 Love Grove	6	
	S e m 1-8 2	541	3.70
Howard, Mary—pt e 4		161	5.70
Howe, Adrian—pt w 5		67	6.53
Howe, Joe A.—pt w 5		328	9.80
Hyman, hrs. Wm.—n e 1-4 4		82	4.60
Hall, O. D. & hrs. Mary J.—	S w 1-4 3	23	3.50
Hall, Richard—s e 1-4 6		27	5.32
Hall, hrs. W. T.—s e b 1-8 5		106	5.15
Ivey, Caroline—s w 1-4 3		240	9.00
Jackson, Mary F. & Nellie Foreman—s e 3 n e 2		186	29.63
Jackson, hrs. W. H.—w m 1 2		33	3.50
Jocelyn, Flo and Mamie Kellogg—s w 4		233	6.80
Johnson, C. H.—s e 1-4 3		255	6.33
Johnson, Hannah A.—	S e 3 n e 4	262	8.18
Jones, Abraham—s e 1-8 2		45	2.50
Jones, Albert—w m 1 2		22	6.05
Jones, Elijah—pt e m 4 5		161	5.15
Jones, Mary J.—pt e 3		46	3.50
Jones, Minnie—n e 1-4 3		282	5.15
Judge, Willie—w m 1		272	4.79
Kelly, Chas.—s 1-2 5		37	
	Pt w m 4 5	37	
	Pt e m 4 pt 5	187	20.97
Knox, Ed—pt e end 5		498	6.60
Lane, Robt. H.—n w 1-8 2		338	10.45
Lawrence, P. W.—s e 1-4 5		513	1.85
Lebates, Essie—pt 5 6		529	1.58
LeBoo, hrs. Andrew—	Pt e 1-2 1	496	2.40
LeBoo, Lillian A.—n w 1-4 4		282	10.10
LeBoo, hrs. Rachel—	N e m 1-8 5	106	5.70
Lee, Jno. W. & wife—	Pt w end 1	240	5.32
Leonard, Geo.—s w 1-4 5		119	9.15
Leonard, Jacob—n w 1-4 4		64	8.80
Lewis, Martha—1-2 int e m 1		280	5.80
Lewis, Rosa—1-2 int e m 1		280	5.80
Livingston, hrs. Harriet—	Pt e 1 2	213	4.05
Livingston, Saml—s e 1-4 4		95	
	N 1-2 4	95	7.19
Loftin, E. M.—e end 5		242	10.15
Loftin, Major—pt w 3		511	4.05
Loftin, Wright—n e pt 2		327	5.48
Lovick, hrs. T. H.—s w 1-4 2		70	2.40
Leonard, Mary Allen—w m 1		50	
	S w 1-4 5	513	6.45
Mallett, Jno. E.—e m 1		237	7.90
Meares, hrs. Betsey—w 1-2 2		261	6.80
Merrick, Delia—n w 4		296	5.70
Merrick, Phoebe and Carrie M Walker—s 1-4 3		118	13.40
Merrick, hrs, W.M.—pt e m 5 6		119	6.80
Miller, E. B.—lt 8 Love Grove		4	8.32
Miller, Harvey—pt e 5		269	5.70
Moore, Chas. H.—lt 12 Love Grove		18	4.07
Moore, Jno. A.—n e 1-4 4		23	6.60
Moore, Lavinia—e 1-4 4		3	2.95
Mosely, Emma—Lot 8 Love Grove		10	1.85
Murrell, Martin—n e 1-4 4		502	8.53
Myers, C. A.—pt e 1		271	3.50
McDonald, Mrs. Ruben—w m 4		308	2.95
McFarland, Minnie—n e 1-4 4		85	4.33
McIntire, A.—n w 1-8 5		69	4.68
McKoy, Dan—pt e 6		295	8.25
McKoy, Kate—e m 5		348	4.50
McLaughlin, John—pt e 6		81	6.88
McLaughlin, Zept—n w pt 3		70	5.22
McMillan, Wm.—e m 6		40	
	S w 1-4 2	41	3.15
McNeal, Eddie—e pt 3 4		24	6.49
McQueen, Ella and Mary E. Kennedy—pt e 5		343	5.93
McClammy, Wilson—Pt e		502	6.80
Nixon, Bertha—n w 1-4 1		175	1560
Nixon, Geo.—s w 1-4 4		602	4 60
Nixon, W. H.—n e 1-4 3		137	6.80
Norman, Rebecca McKoy—e e 1-4 6		36	1010
Noyes, Walter C.—pt w 4		326	
	E m 5 pt 4	225	12.03
Peeden, Heirs Mildred G.—	W pt wend 3 4	350	295
Peterson, Ed.—s e 1-4 3		540	495
Phillips, Jno. H.—s w 1-4 5		106	1038
Phillips, Maggie E.—e 1		240	4.33
Pierce, Geo. and Wife—	S e 1-4 2	527	390
Pittman, F. and Addie—	Pt e and e m 3 4 5	133	2903
Price, Carrie—n w 3		282	625
Price, Ethel, D. A. D.—w 5		280	21.10
Price, Jas. H.—e 3		240	2.25
Quick, Sallie—1-3 pt end 1		236	515
Quince, Rachael—n e pt 4		105	1203
Ratcliff, James—m 1		279	6.25
Richardson, hrs. Caleb—	W 2 3 e 3 4	304	1220
Richardson, Jno. N.—n w 1-2 1		324	16.50
Roberts, hrs. Cumber—s w 3		137	4.05
Robinson, hers Agnes—3-4 5		39	850
Robinson, hrs. Sancho—pt w 1		241	7.43
Robinson, Tom & wife—	S w 1-8 6	499	550
Robinson, Wm.—w m 1 pt 2		527	
	N w 1-4 5	542	515
Rogers, Annie T.—end 5		256	515
Rogers, tStephen—w end 1 pt 2		329	6.50
Russ, Sarah J.—	S e m 1-8 e m 6	135	5.70
Russell, Emplo—s e		502	440
Sampson, J. D.—w end 6		39	4.33
Shepard, Charles—	Pt w m 6 6 1-2 s m 6	149	873
Sheridan, W. R.—pt e m 1		80	11.20
Shines, Nancy C.—pt e m 6 6		69	4.51
Shipman, Ed.—	Lot 5 Love Grove	2	809
Simmons, Elias—n w 1-4 4		540	295
Simon, Chas.—	Lot 8 Love Grove	2	633
Smith, hars D M—w m 2		281	350
Smith, J. H. & others—pt w 2		281	6.27
Sneed, DeCatar C.—n w 1-4 4		238	
	E 1-4 and pt m 3 e e 2	296	2048
Spicer, Isaac—pt e 1		347	240
Stanford, Jno. T.—	Pt w m 4 5	228	743
Stanley, hars Wright—	Pt e 1 2	22	5.98
Suggs, Richard—s e m 1-8 4		119	350
Sweet, Caroline—pt w 2 3		266	1230
Swift, Frank—pt e 4		300	2.78
Taylor—Paul E.—s e 1-4 5		22	3.50
Taylor, Saml. and Johanna M

THOSE GLORIOUS DAYS OF COUNTRY BOYHOOD

Days of Indigo, Red Oak Bark, Walnut Hulls, Gallberry.

Correspondent Says Eastern North Carolina, Which Can Grow Anything, Can Produce Indigo and That at a Profit.

(By Henry T. King)

Anent the dye question some correspondent from Elizabeth City sent the Virginian-Pilot, Norfolk, an item relative to North Carolina's inability to grow the indigo plant. The item carried the statement that W. W. Stockberger, United States government expert, has written Commissioner of Agriculture W. A. Graham, that he is satisfied that the growing of the indigo plant is not at all practical for North Carolina.

The word "practical" is meant to say that it would not be profitable for the grower. There are many now remembering how it was "practical" during war times, 1864-5, and immediately thereafter. This writer remembers seeing the plant flourishing like "the green bay tree," though no great fields were planted. It was just what would be needed for the farm or perhaps some to spare to a neighbor. But it grew all right and did the business of dyeing successfully then. If it was then grown in small patches, it ought to grow now in fields. And it ought to be practical and profitable. With modern methods of getting the dye from the plant, the cost ought to be relatively small to that of the days when the women grew it for "home consumption."

Why it has only been a few short years when it was said that tobacco could not be grown successfully in Eastern North Carolina. A few stalks were grown about the yards and in "jambs of the fence." But no, it was thought unprofitable to grow it as a farm crop. How about it now? Doesn't Eastern North Carolina beat the world in growing the golden weed? Tobacco is now our most profitable crop. It is a great money crop. It puts thousands of dollarsi n the pockets of the farmers and is a regular mortage lifter.

Indigo might prove something like tobacco has. If so, what a help it would be in a crisis like the one now on. If the industry should be protected from foreign competition for a few years, it might develop into great things. It would surely be an infant industry and then it should have protection. But in North Carolina it could hardly expect such a thing as protection. The South has been such an enemy to such policies as have built up the great industries of other sections of the country that it could hardly be expected now. But it should have it.

If the Agricultural Department would send out some seed with instructions about planting and cultivating, as so many of the old folks who knew how, have gone on before, and encourage the industry, it might develop again. This is done for many other things, why not for indigo? This state can grow it and the government should aid in the development of an industry which might mean so much at such a time and crisis as may come again. It might help lower the price of other dyes and instead of being knocked out by the standard coal tar dyes, it might give them a Billy Patterson blow. It is worth the government's attention to look into the matter.

Commissioner Graham should know something about this matter. He is not now too young or perhaps his part of the state did not grow such things away back there. Doesn't he remember the time when our mothers turned off the pretty fleecy rolls from their cotton cards? Hasn't he watched the long drawn out thread and listened to the hum of the old spining wheel? Did he never see the many colors, (from home made dyes) of the cotton warps and fillings, hanging out to dry? Hasn't the rhythmic knock of the old kitchen loom fallen upon his ears as it turned out that bright checked homespun or pant jeans? Has he never counted the minutes go bye, impatiently waiting for the proud moment when he should wear those glorious products? If not then pity it is.

Those were glorious days of country boyhood. They were boys in those days—happy boys, too. The boy who sallied forth, meeting bound, a wheat straw hat or wire grass hat on his head; the checked homespun shirt brecking his manly bosom, a pink (not carnation) in the button hole of his jean pants; his copperas pants just touching the tops of his home made shoes, which were blacked with the product of rusty nails soaked vinegar; homeknit socks on his feet and a face unknown to the barber's art, was the boy who made the man of the future, and Solomon in all his glory was never more a man than this proud boy.

Such were the days of indigo, red oak bark, walnut hulls, gallberry root and many other home dyes. Such dyes can be made now and indigo will grow in North Carolina.

FERTILIZER SITUATION NO REASON FOR ALARM

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chairman of the county executive committee for several years, and has been State senator for the past four years. Mr. McLeod is president of the First National Bank, one of the strongest financial institutions of this section, and is also president of the National Cotton Mills, being one of the large stockholders. If time, money and hard work for the Democratic party ever entitled a man to recognition, George McLeod is one of them.

Chairman T. A. McNeil, Jr., gives notice that there will be a meeting of the county Democratic executive committee held in Lumberton on Tuesday, March 7th, at 1 o'clock P. M.

Visitor Praises Robeson.

Mr. L. S. Scott, representative of the Orange Judd Farm Paper Company, of Springfield, Mass., left yesterday for Laurinburg to work Scotland county. Mr. Scott has quite a number of agents in the State working for this paper company, he visiting them in different sections. Mr. Scott has spent seven weeks in Robeson, and told your correspondent that the county had the greatest future of any county he knew of. He said he figured that not over 35 per cent of the lands in Robeson were under cultivation, that it might almost be called new country. He said the farmers in this section were thrifty and hard-working, that was plain to be seen, and the only trouble was too much fertile land was lying idle. Mr. Scott said he was raised in the North, had traveled all over the country, his business bringing him in contact with the farmers in all sections, and that he had never visited a better farming section with better people than he found in Robeson county. Coming down to Lumberton, he said it was the best town of its size he had found in North Carolina, and he had been in the State since October, travelling from one end to the other.

Occasionaly some fellow who will persist in violating the law gets into trouble. A trio of colored citizens overdid the thing last Thursday and each lost a gallon of liquor. It was shipped to a South Carolina express office on the R. & C. railroad, and it is an easy matter to go down on the noon train, get the packages and return on the evening train at 6:15. Officers Jim Townsend and Joe Thompson in some way got wise and met the train at the nearest station to town and when the train came in, the officers, three colored men, and three gallons, went to the court house. In some way Charles Cole, one of the best known colored men in town, got mixed up in the business and he says, (told the Star man so)—that he "just had his for personal use." Charles is a well known church worker on Sundays when he wends his way to the Sanctuary dressed in the garb of a minister, long tail coat, high hat, bible under his arm, big walking cane, and all that goes to make up a 300-pounder that will attract attention. When it was suggested to Charles that he was leading the colored people the way they should go on Sunday, he said that was right, but when he was asked about the example of having a gallon, contrary to law, he said "they didn't know that."

Conductor Ernest Goodwyn, of the Seaboard, running between Hamlet and Nrofolk, spent Wednesday in town with his brother, Mr. J. J. Goodwyn, who holds a position in the law office of Messrs. McLean, Varser & McLean.

Mr. Fred Brown, Red Springs correspondent of the Star, was here Thursday and yesterday. If any one interested in the political situation in the county can't find it out from Mr. Brown, it's no use to go any further.

"Freckles" will be the attraction at the local opera house on Friday, March 22nd. "Walk This Way" will be Pickford will be seen in "Rags" at the Pastime Theatre. On Wednesday, Mach 22nd. "Walk This Way" will be the opera house attraction. This attraction carryies a lady brass band and orchestra. "Walk This Way" is a Billy (Single) Clifford show, and as Mr. Clifford was here a year or two ago, he is no stranger to Lumberton theatre goers.

Under the "dope law" some of the unfortunate ones are having trouble in keeping "loaded up," and it seems that the stuff is the cause of trouble anyhow, for it seems to be an assured fact that friends of some of the dopers are putting together, "salting down" as it were, every point they can obtain where the law is varied from, but it seems that the stuff is obtained from other places. In Lumberton a fellow does well to get a drink of water in a drug store without a prescription.

The Daughters of the Confederacy have arranged to serve dinner in the Commissioner's room in the Court House, Monday, to visitors to court. It is for a worthy cause and not only visitors, but town people as well, should drop in and get dinner. No organization can run without money, and the Daughters of the Confederacy is no exception. They are not begging funds, but give value received for every half dollar spent for a good dinner.

Every day almost, the remark can be heard about how scarce money is, and to one looking on, all indications point that way except one, automobiles. Not so long ago if a dealer received a whole car load of automobiles, the question was "what is he going to do with them, he can't sell that many", but now they don't seem to be able to get them here fast enough, sold before arrival. The Lumberton Motor Car Company alone has on the road coming over $10,000 worth of cars, which are expected in next week.

Poultry and Live Stock Fair.

The soliciting committee for the premium list for the Poultry & Live Stock Fair, to be held here in the fall, is meeting with satisfactory success, the citizens readily responding with contributions when called upon. No one need fear not having the opportunity of aiding, as the committee is composed of two hustlers, Messrs. W. O. Thompson and M. F. Caldwell. There is no one, of course, who is not anxious to help out, but if there was one such—he needn't try to hide or run from that pair. They are going to present the opportunity.

Rev. and Mrs. W. B. Pope left Friday for their home at Monroe, Oregon. Mr. Pope spent most of the winter here, but Mrs. Pope only spent a few days, having arrived last week. Mr. Pope says if he lives he expects to come to his old home again in nine years.

Getting Ready for Lights.

As the time approaches for change in the lighting system here, the people are getting ready for the change. The McAllister Hardware Company has already booked orders for over 3,000 lights for residences, business houses, offices, etc. Mr. Lubin Smith the electrician, is also booking orders. New fixtures of different kinds are being put in stock ready to be furnished when the change is made.

A rifle club is being organized in Lumberton which will give members the opportunity of learning how to shoot at no cost to them. The government furnishes the rifles and the ammunition. Oh, for the eyes of our younger days when we were a crack rifle shot.

The semiphore at the Seaboard has been changed back from the freight to the passenger station. This is the third time it has been moved.

The Republicans held a county convention here Monday, at which delegates were appointed to the different conventions to be held. Mr. J. C. Snoddy, of Red Springs, was chairman. It was the same body that has been meeting here every two years for a long time. Cuss the Republicans all one will, they have some good stickers in Robeson, not many, but genuine.

The prospects for baseball here this season seems to be most excellent. Already the boys are getting busy.

W. S. W.

RESIDENCE BADLY DAMAGED.

Home of Mr. John Camp, at Wallace, Partly Burned—Other News.

Wallace, N. C., Feb. 26.—On Friday the residence of Mr. John Camp was badly damaged by fire. The flames were discovered about 4 o'clock in the afternoon and were soon brought under control. Owing to the abundant water supply of the Camp Manufacturing Company and the help of the employes, with the assistance of the neighbors, the building was saved from total destruction.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. Lucian B. Farlow will regret to learn of the death of their two months old daughter, Ruth Underwood. Death was due to erysipelas followed by peritonitis.

Revs. C. E. Brooks and W. P. M. Currie have returned home after attending the interdenominational Laymen's Missionary Convention, which was held in Greensboro.

FIRST SAVINGS BANK ORGANIZED IN SCOTLAND

In Little Stone Cottage in Ruthwell in 1810.

Idea Not Long in Crossing Atlantic—Today Thrift Institutions Are Proving the Backbone of the Country.

In a little stone cottage in Ruthwell, Scotland, in 1810 the Rev. Henry Duncan established the first savings bank which was organized and operated on the recognized savings bank principle which is: that from the deposits received, the bank should, by judicious investment, earn enough to pay the expenses of management, pay interest to the depositors and establish a guaranty fund to protect them from losses incident to all business.

Dr. Duncan was by no means the first to see the need of a safe depository for the saving of the people, for several others as high minded, but not so practical, had theretofore attempted to establish savings banks; but in their zeal to make the proposition attractive, combined features that smacked of charity, and therefore failed as business ventures. As early as 1798 the "Wendover Bank" was instituted by the Rev. Joseph Smith, who with two rich parishioners agreed to receive sums on deposit and repay the same at Christmas with a bonus o one-third the amount deposited. It was in substance like our modern "Christmas Slub." Priscilla Wakefield in 1799 organized a society to receive certain sums on deposit monthly, acording to age and to the same as a pension after sixty years of age. In sickness a weekly benefit was allowed, and on death a funeral benefit. This was in substance like our modern "Sick and Aid Societies" so common among European nations. But Duncan's plan was the only one to prove adaptable to all people and to all times, and which would support itself. His bank would sustain itself on the earning power of money, rather than on the money earning power had accumulated. From the humble Scottish village the idea spread throughout England and Ireland and Scotland until there were over two hundred such banks in 1916.

As an outcome of Duncan's bank grew the Edinburg Savings Bank, which dates from 1814 and which is still in existence. It was in this bank that we find the same methods as are stil in vogue, the modus operandi of the savings bank having changed but little in the century past. This bank issued pass books, the recognized form of savings bank evidences of indebtedness. It was managed by a body of trustees who gave their services gratis. It paid all depositors the same rate of interest. It had no stock and consequently no stockholders. It was a mutual institution. It sought saftety first and profits afterward. It sought the highest forms of investment, namely government bonds.

Owing to the close association between the mother country and the colonies, it was but natural that any movemeint that succeeded there should be adopted here, and the idea was not long in crossing the Atlantic.

The new country had its problem of poverty no less than the old, and in the endeavor to ameliorate the condition of the lower classes numerous undertakings were begun, which were based on the sick and aid society idea. Even lotteries were legalized in the attempt to alleviate the current distress Tammany Hall was originaly insctituted as a society to "afford relief to the indigent and distressed members, their widows and others." Fully forty such societies were organized for similar purposes before the advent of the savings bank.

Historians are in doubt as to whom is due the credit of bringing the idea over to America, but it is conceded that Patrick Colquhoun, a London Magistrate, wrote Thomas Eddy of New York a letter in 1816, outlining the plan theni n successful operation in England. A similar pamphlet fell into the hands of James Savage of Boston in the same year, and the first public announcement of savings bank in this country appeared in the Christian Disciple, a small religious paper, in December, 1816. This article stated that such institutions were in successful operation in England and Scotland and that such a bank was proposed for Philadelphia. The plans for the Boston bank must have been well matured, for in December of 1816 the "Provident Institution for Savings in the Town of Boston" was chartered, being the first public act of legislation in the world which recognized the beneficial character of the savings bank. This bank in five years had deposits of $600,000 and paid one per cent quarterly.

Following the letter received from his English correspondent, Mr. Eddy and a group of public spirited men began an agitation that culminated in the Bank for Savings, now located at Fourth Avenue and Twenty-second Street, New York a hundred-million-dollar bank. In the meantime, Philadelphia had been busy, and organized the Philadelphia Savings Fund Society, which opened its doors on Monday, December 2, 1816, being the first bank of its kind to open for business on the Western Continent.

In spite of this early beginning, the savings bank, as a mutual institution has remained a New England institution, in that this type of bank has never become a financial factor in the West and South, there being less than fifty of these banks west of Buffalo and South of Baltimore.

According to latest reports, there are 624 banks of the mutual type, located as follows: Maine, 48; New Hampshire, 46; Vermont, 21; Massachusetts, 190; Rhode Island ,15; Connecticut, 94; New York, 140; New Jersey, 26; Pennsylvania, 10; Delaware, 2; Maryland, 18; which accounts for all but 34 in the United States.

The deposits in these six hundred banks total $3,915,626,190, ofw hich $1,700,63,766 is in New York, followed by Massachusetts with $861,416,889. In depositor, New York likewise leads, having 3,114,240 depositors, while Massachusetts has 2,249,824.

These figures do not include the stock saving banks, of which there are upwards of 1,500 in various parts of the country, nor banks or discount operating savings deparitments. Nor is it to be inferred that one is better than the other; but the Centennial celebration which commemorates a century of savings banking is to do honer to the mutual saings banvk with no disparagement to other types, whose history is not so clearly defined, although their operation may have done as great a good. In his first message to the Legislature in 1820, Governor Clinton of New York characterized the savings bank as "an institution to cherish meritorious industry, encourage frugality, and to promote the welfare of families, the cause of morality and the good order of society." And he was right. It has done all this in thousands of instances for a hundred years and well merits all the honor and credit that may come to it after a century of honorable conduct.

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COLUMBUS POLITICS GETTING INTERESTING

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Veterans here a little over a year ago and his speech was then a subject of much favorable comment. The news that he is to deliver the address at the annual commencement of the county schools is indeed welcome, and the spacious auditorium, where the exercises are to be held, will no doubt be crowded on this occasion. A brass band will be here for the day and the usual athletic contests pulled off in the afternoon.

Sunday School Convention.

A convention of the Methodist Sunday schools of the county began here this morning at 10:00 o'clock with a good attendance of visitors. Dinner was served at the church today for the delegates from the different Sunday schools in the county. Mr. M. W. Brabham, the field secretary, is conducting the institute, which is one of a series of institutes conducted throughout the bounds of the North Carolina Conference under the direction of the Sunday school board. He is asisted by the pastor of the Methodist church here, Rev. Chas. M. Lance, and by the superintendent of the Methodist Sunday school, Mr. H. C. Moffitt.

Little Damage Thought

The recent cold spells, which at one time were thought to have completely destroyed the tobacco plants all over the county, did not result as disastrously as first thought, although about one third of the plants were killed. However, there were an abundance of them growing before the cold wave and there is still plenty of time to re-plant. The strawberry prospects were not affected.

Town Campaign Enlivening

Town politics have begun to take the attention of the voters somewhat from the county campaign, and although there will not be the usual excitement brought about with the fight for the Chief of Police's job, it having been made an appointive office, it is pretty well known that the present Board of Aldermen and Mayor Tucker will have opposition. The primary comes off in May. Mr. L. V. Grady, when asked if he would be a candidate for Mayor as was reported, stated that he would not, nor would he accept the nomination.

Lodges to Build.

A committee from the Whiteville Masonic Lodge has been appointed to look into sites over town with a view to purchasing and building thereon a suitable edifice for a Lodge room up stairs, the lower floor to be rented for mercantile usage. If the other fraternal organizations of the town lend the Masons assistance in this undertaking, the building will probably be a three-story one.

Assemblyman John H. Currie, of Cumberland county, a member of the lower house of the last Legislature, was here today on Court business. He returned to his home in the afternoon.

YOUNG CAROLINIAN SPENT MANY DAYS IN THE TRENCHES

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discharged from the British army.

"I was shot in the left foot. The bullet tore along the top of the foot shattering several bones. I fell down and managed to work my way along the ground until I reached our trench. I was sent to the regiment hospital and later to Dieppe, then to Dover and finally to the Epsom hospital. I remained at Epsom from November 9 to January 26.

"I had no idea that I was not to return to my regiment until the American consul advised me that I was an American minor and must return to the States. I had been told that even if I were not sent back to the front, I would probably be given a job at one of the English munition plants. I will now try to join the American legion in Canada."

THE HOPEWELL POLICE

Hopewell, Feb. 26.—With its cosmopolitan population, Hopewell presents the most unusual situation that a police department in the South has had to deal with. Five thousand Greeks, 2,000 Italians, 1,500 Russians, several hundred Turks and a varied group reaching well into the thousands, drawn from thirty-one other languages that work in the big guncotton plant, besides the thousands of Americans who reside here, present to the police department a Babelish populace which it must regulate. To meet this situation there is a police force efficent in ability, but inefficient in numbers. This is made apparent by the continued necessity of the militia, which is aiding the police in their work. As soon as the charter is received and the police force is increased from twenty-one to sixty, which is the number Chief Cotton will ask for the militia can be removed without endangering the general welfare of the community.

Heading the police department, as chief, is Sam Cotton, formerly of Norfolk. Chief Cotton was for years a member of the detective department of the Norfolk police department, and has seen service as a private detective and as a railway detective. He is an expert in the Bertillon system of identification and the Henry system of finger prints, which systems will soon be installed by him in this city. A rogues' gallery will also be installed.

Chief Cotton has engaged as his assistants men who have had experience on the police forces of other cities, while others have seen actual service in the United States Army.

SALE OF LAND

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Name	Description	Acs	Tax and Cost
Wright, R. A.—			
	2 lots Sunset Park		10.10
CORPORATIONS.			
Fidelity T. & Dev. Co.—			
	Sunset Park	432	
	Fisher Tract	322	
	G. C. Bordeaux		8 186.13
Southern Realty & Dev. Co.—			
	Lakeside Park	40	21.88

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